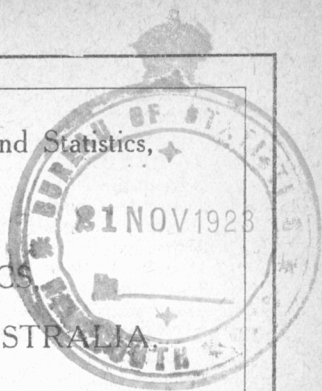


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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area. Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—4th April, 1921.			Estimated, 30th June, 1923.			Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1922.*
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. . .	309,432	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	1,115,787	1,073,592	2,189,379	955,900
Victoria . .	87,884	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	797,623	809,963	1,607,586	816,800
Q'land . .	670,500	398,969	357,003	755,972	425,844	379,792	805,636	230,200
S. Aust. . .	380,070	248,267	246,893	495,160	259,652	257,033	516,685	270,329
W. Aust.	975,920	177,278	155,454	332,732	186,203	161,916	348,119	161,773
Tasmania	26,215	107,743	106,037	213,780	107,294	106,490	213,784	54,566
N. Ter. . .	523,620	2,821	1,046	3,867	2,605	1,043	3,648	..
Fed. Cap. Territory	940	1,567	1,005	2,572	2,039	1,216	3,255	..
Total	2,974,581	2,762,870	2,672,864	5,435,734	2,897,047	2,791,045	5,688,092	2,489,568

* The areas embraced in each case were Sydney, 118,299 acres; Melbourne, 105,385 acres; Brisbane, 134,752 acres; Adelaide, 137,716 acres; Perth, 87,563 acres; and Hobart, 54,890 acres.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1918	1,961,967	1,437,245	704,251	457,552	310,183	202,843	4,639	2,232	5,080,912
1919	2,038,747	1,503,035	736,138	481,463	327,860	209,867	4,545	1,919	5,303,574
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1921	2,127,916	1,550,686	768,231	502,411	335,715	218,316	3,734	2,064	5,509,073
1922	2,172,932	1,590,225	788,290	513,194	343,608	218,924	3,551	2,557	5,633,281

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1918	1,942,213	1,424,054	697,798	451,382	308,198	198,193	4,871	2,427	5,029,136
1919	1,999,820	1,473,013	723,285	468,319	319,955	204,959	4,654	2,311	5,196,316
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1921	2,107,119	1,537,008	762,961	497,231	333,782	213,274	3,906	2,483	5,457,764
1922	2,149,349	1,570,824	781,022	506,036	339,649	214,777	3,653	2,815	5,568,125

* Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922	Six Months of—	
						1922.	1923.

NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

New South Wales ..	31,893	22,187	33,008	34,610	36,004	17,757	17,538
Victoria	16,420	12,249	19,381	19,426	21,133	10,545	9,526
Queensland ..	12,385	9,843	12,309	13,187	12,835	6,541	6,516
South Australia ..	6,967	5,585	6,945	6,992	7,393	3,804	3,563
Western Australia	4,273	3,347	4,761	4,327	4,964	2,623	2,587
Tasmania ..	3,478	3,118	3,704	3,558	3,820	1,857	1,766
Northern Territory	31	21	..	— 1	10	5	25
Fed. Cap. Territory	43	9	9	23	26	13	6
Total ..	75,490	56,359	80,117	82,122	86,185	43,145	41,527

NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).*

New South Wales	10,031	54,593	19,967	1,584	9,012	2,328	— 1,091
Victoria	3,765	53,541	5,493	3,351	18,406	9,130	7,835
Queensland ..	5,362	22,044	2,177	4,420	7,224	8,810	10,830
South Australia ..	3,878	18,326	2,598	4,413	3,390	— 1,350	— 72
Western Australia	— 928	14,330	— 1,298	65	2,929	1,721	1,924
Tasmania ..	1,360	3,906	— 819	2,006	— 3,212	— 6,870	— 6,906
Northern Territory	— 194	— 115	— 556	— 254	— 193	— 79	72
Fed. Cap. Territory	85	— 322	44	69	467	837	692
Total ..	23,359	166,303	27,606	15,654	38,023	14,527	13,284

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of Deaths over Births and Emigration over Immigration.

* Includes Australian Military Forces.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

New South Wales	41,924	76,780	52,975	36,194	45,016	20,085	16,447
Victoria	20,185	65,790	24,874	22,777	39,539	19,675	17,361
Queensland ..	17,747	31,887	14,486	17,607	20,059	15,351	17,346
South Australia ..	10,845	23,911	9,543	11,405	10,783	2,454	3,491
Western Australia	3,345	17,677	3,463	4,392	7,893	4,344	4,511
Tasmania ..	4,838	7,024	2,885	5,564	608	— 5,013	— 5,140
Northern Territory	— 163	— 94	— 556	— 255	— 183	— 74	97
Fed. Cap. Territory	128	— 313	53	92	493	850	698
Total ..	98,849	222,662	107,723	97,776	124,208	57,672	54,811

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1923.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
New South Wales	7,006	6,632	13,638	2,814	2,130	4,944	4,763
Victoria	4,630	4,395	9,025	2,445	2,148	4,593	3,440
Queensland ..	2,578	2,512	5,090	1,127	710	1,837	1,541
South Australia ..	1,491	1,453	2,944	653	525	1,178	1,157
Western Australia	1,085	1,014	2,099	474	269	743	689
Tasmania ..	676	718	1,394	280	267	547	452
Northern Territory	7	4	11	8	2	10	2
Fed. Cap. Territory	..	3	3	3	..	3	..
Total ..	17,473	16,731	34,204	7,804	6,051	13,855	12,044

BIRTHS—NUMBER, 1918 TO 1923.

States and Territories.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.	Six Months of—	
						1922.	1923.
New South Wales	50,709	48,532	53,942	54,636	55,170	26,991	27,136
Victoria	31,597	31,619	36,213	35,591	36,288	18,021	17,885
Queensland ..	19,536	18,699	20,256	20,329	19,987	10,099	10,120
South Australia ..	11,357	11,060	12,028	11,974	12,001	6,057	5,865
Western Australia	7,106	6,937	8,149	7,807	8,131	4,177	4,068
Tasmania ..	5,280	5,310	5,740	5,755	5,817	2,832	2,746
Northern Territory	105	106	63	79	70	39	41
Fed. Cap. Territory	49	27	15	27	32	16	9
Total ..	125,739	122,290	136,406	136,198	137,496	68,232	67,870

BIRTH RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION

						*	*
New South Wales	26.11	24.27	26.09	25.93	25.67	25.25	24.87
Victoria	22.19	21.47	23.95	23.16	23.10	23.07	22.36
Queensland ..	28.00	25.85	27.15	26.64	25.59	26.07	25.44
South Australia ..	25.16	23.62	24.72	24.08	23.71	24.05	22.78
Western Australia	23.06	21.68	24.69	23.39	23.94	24.72	23.52
Tasmania ..	26.64	25.91	27.29	26.98	27.08	26.29	25.40
Northern Territory	21.56	22.78	14.96	20.23	19.16	21.07	22.82
Fed. Cap. Territory	20.19	11.68	6.90	10.87	11.37	12.22	5.84
Total ..	25.00	23.53	25.45	24.95	24.69	24.64	23.98

* Equivalent annual rate.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.	Six Months of—	
						1922	1923.

DEATHS.—NUMBER, 1918 TO 1923.

New South Wales	18,816	26,345	20,934	20,026	19,166	9,234	9,598
Victoria ..	15,177	19,370	16,832	16,165	15,155	7,476	8,359
Queensland ..	7,151	8,856	7,947	7,142	7,152	3,558	3,604
South Australia ..	4,390	5,475	5,083	4,982	4,608	2,253	2,302
Western Australia	2,833	3,590	3,388	3,480	3,167	1,554	1,481
Tasmania ..	1,802	2,192	2,036	2,197	1,997	975	980
Northern Territory	74	85	63	80	60	34	16
Fed. Cap. Territory	6	18	6	4	6	3	3
Total ..	50,249	65,931*	56,289	54,076	51,311	25,087	26,343

DEATH RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	9.69	13.17	10.12	9.50	8.92	† 8.64	† 8.80
Victoria ..	10.66	13.15	11.13	10.52	9.65	9.57	10.45
Queensland ..	10.25	12.24	10.65	9.36	9.16	9.19	9.06
South Australia ..	9.73	11.69	10.45	10.02	9.11	8.95	8.94
Western Australia	9.19	11.22	10.27	10.43	9.32	9.20	8.56
Tasmania ..	9.09	10.69	9.68	10.30	9.30	9.05	9.06
Northern Territory	15.19	18.26	14.96	20.48	16.42	18.37	8.90
Fed. Cap. Territory	2.47	7.79	2.76	1.61	2.13	2.29	1.95
Total ..	9.99	12.69*	10.50	9.91	9.22	9.06	9.31

MARRIAGES.—NUMBER, 1918 TO 1923.

New South Wales	13,194	15,809	20,154	18,506	17,580	8,961	8,939
Victoria ..	9,156	11,706	14,898	13,676	12,996	6,374	6,662
Queensland ..	4,815	5,429	6,667	5,963	5,878	3,006	2,976
South Australia ..	3,190	3,855	4,881	4,383	4,144	2,157	2,094
Western Australia	1,612	2,194	2,932	2,656	2,446	1,269	1,240
Tasmania ..	1,131	1,513	1,999	1,668	1,674	843	837
Northern Territory	39	25	17	15	13	11	3
Fed. Cap. Territory	4	9	4	2	..	..	1
Total ..	33,141	40,540	51,552	46,869	44,731	22,621	22,752

* Large increase is mainly due to influenza epidemic.

† Equivalent annual rate.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.	Six Months of—	
						1922.	1923.

MARRIAGE RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

						*	*
New South Wales	6.79	7.91	9.75	8.78	8.18	8.38	8.19
Victoria ..	6.43	7.95	9.85	8.90	8.27	8.16	8.33
Queensland ..	6.88	7.51	8.94	7.82	7.52	7.76	7.48
South Australia ..	7.07	8.23	10.03	8.82	8.19	8.57	8.13
Western Australia	5.23	6.86	8.88	7.96	7.20	7.51	7.17
Tasmania ..	5.71	7.38	9.50	7.82	7.79	7.82	7.74
Northern Territory	8.01	5.37	4.04	3.84	3.56	5.94	1.67
Fed. Cap. Territory	1.65	3.89	1.84	0.81	..	..	0.65
Total ..	6.59	7.80	9.62	8.59	8.03	8.17	8.04

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE, 1918 TO 1923.

New South Wales	2,993	3,486	3,744	3,418	2,957	1,454	1,672
Victoria ..	1,951	2,147	2,669	2,582	1,936	1,055	1,408
Queensland ..	1,107	1,344	1,281	1,101	1,007	511	536
South Australia ..	582	708	810	784	570	301	411
Western Australia	406	424	538	611	452	255	280
Tasmania ..	321	345	376	449	324	182	165
Northern Territory	3	7	12	5	4	4	1
Fed. Cap. Territory	1	3	1	2	1	1	..
Total ..	7,364	8,464	9,431	8,952	7,251	3,763	4,473

INFANTILE MORTALITY.—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

						*	*
New South Wales	59.02	71.83	69.41	62.56	53.60	53.87	61.58
Victoria ..	61.75	67.90	73.70	72.55	53.35	58.54	78.73
Queensland ..	56.66	71.88	63.24	54.16	50.38	50.60	52.96
South Australia ..	51.25	64.01	67.34	65.48	47.50	49.69	70.08
Western Australia	57.13	61.12	66.02	78.26	55.59	61.05	68.58
Tasmania ..	60.80	64.97	65.51	78.02	55.70	64.27	60.09
Northern Territory	28.57	66.04	190.48	63.29	57.14	102.56	24.39
Fed. Cap. Territory	20.41	111.11	66.67	74.07	31.25	62.50	..
Total ..	58.57	69.21	69.14	65.73	52.74	55.15	65.88

* Equivalent annual rate.

ESTIMATED MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA, 1918 to 1923.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (*) over (b).
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (a)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (b)	
1918 ..	69,530	9,395	78,925	47,812	7,754	55,566	23,359
1919 ..	197,721	25,235	222,956	41,167	15,486	56,653	166,303
1920 ..	67,294	41,815	109,109	52,145	29,358	81,503	27,606
1921 ..	53,221	34,717	87,938	45,611	26,673	72,284	15,654
1922 ..	58,057	35,456	93,513	31,660	23,830	55,490	38,023
1923 (6 mos.)	28,016	17,435	45,451	17,396	14,771	32,167	13,284

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed during the First Six Months of the Years 1922 and 1923.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Six Months.		Six Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1922.	1923.
British	40,391	39,312	27,595	27,123
Danish	93	53	38	21
Dutch	122	115	50	73
French	303	176	270	178
German	101	42	121	45
Greek	205	414	56	29
Italian	1,593	1,169	391	327
Maltese	(a)	116	(a)	2
Norwegian	75	29	49	9
Russian	91	82	23	71
Swedish	53	33	37	11
Swiss	84	71	14	8
United States	647	639	312	288
Other White	382	321	144	88
Total, White Nationalities or Races ..	44,140	42,572	29,100	28,273
Afghans	5	6	4	1
Armenians .. .. .	..	1	..	..
Chinese	1,846	1,811	1,944	2,108
Japanese	210	141	317	258
Javanese	(b)	223	(b)	34
Malays	241	31	168	42
Natives of India and Ceylon	275	205	234	189
Siamese .. .. .	..	1	1	..
Syrians	58	75	32	22
Other Asiatics	199	14	55	4
Filipinos	(b)	5	(b)	14
Negroes, American	2	1	..	1
Papuans	293	200	85	274
Polynesians, Melanesians	169	71	196	100
Other Coloured	33	94	9	37
Total, Coloured Nationalities or Races	3,331	2,879	3,045	3,084
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	799	810
TOTAL ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES	47,471	45,451	32,944	32,167

(a) Included in "Other White."

(b) Included in "Other Coloured."

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed during the First Six Months of the Years 1922 and 1923.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Six Months.		Six Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1922.	1923.
United Kingdom	21,108	20,776	10,979	11,465
Canada	619	536	914	848
Egypt	(a)	589	(a)	83
Fiji	641	599	640	481
Hong Kong	1,648	1,375	1,465	2,020
India and Ceylon	964	1,248	588	732
New Zealand	13,139	13,195	9,849	9,390
Norfolk Island	124	131	148	131
Papua	598	494	384	592
Solomon Islands	(a)	176	(a)	192
South African Union	997	1,023	875	898
Straits Settlements	563	511	548	739
Territory of New Guinea	(a)	292	(a)	467
Other British Possessions	884	533	888	150
Total, British Countries	41,285	41,478	27,278	28,188
China	63	31	242	34
France	547	649	516	522
Germany .. .. .	..	6	6	9
Italy	1,994	1,371	515	421
Japan	251	208	351	441
Java	(b)	267	(b)	200
New Caledonia	240	158	160	100
Philippine Islands	(b)	84	(b)	74
South Sea Islands	35	77	178	123
United States	645	704	883	964
Other Foreign Countries	952	418	627	281
Total, Foreign Countries	4,727	3,973	3,478	3,169
Crews discharged or shipped	1,459	(c)	1,389	(c)
Allowance for unrecorded departures .. .. .	..	..	799	810
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES	47,471	45,451	32,944	32,167

(a) Included with "Other British." (b) Included with "Other Foreign." (c) The practice of recording crews has been discontinued as from 1st July, 1922.

NOMINATED AND SELECTED IMMIGRANTS WHO ARRIVED IN AUSTRALIA, 1918 TO 1922.

State.	Nominated.			Selected.			Total.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales	3,358	2,860	6,218	650	219	869	7,087
Victoria	2,119	2,118	4,237	3,926	982	4,908	9,145
Queensland	787	741	1,528	108	75	183	1,711
South Australia	401	425	826	650	55	705	1,531
Western Australia	710	744	1,454	2,476	443	2,919	4,373
Tasmania	120	149	269	70	72	142	411
Total Year 1922	7,495	7,037	14,532	7,880	1,846	9,726	24,258
" " 1921	6,013	4,811	10,824	2,203	1,655	3,858	14,682
" " 1920	2,898	3,089	5,987	1,716	1,356	3,072	9,059
" " 1919	55	148	203	29	13	42	245
" " 1918	79	347	426	..	..	..	426

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA, 1917-18 TO 1922-23.

AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1917-18 ..	9,774,658	615,800	332,057	2,212,914	186,358	14,298,982
1918-19 ..	7,990,165	768,152	286,812	2,692,904	171,024	13,332,393
1919-20 ..	6,419,160	1,068,296	265,469	3,125,653	159,037	13,296,407
1920-21 ..	9,072,167	936,996	284,283	3,233,189	174,001	15,069,858
1921-22 ..	9,719,042	733,406	305,186	2,994,519	197,293	15,357,024
1922-23 ..	9,780,700	..	..	..	215,176	..

TOTAL YIELD.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar.*
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1917-18 ..	114,733,584	10,387,431	8,843,262	2,723,921	2,879,092	327,589
1918-19 ..	75,638,262	10,441,080	6,912,153	2,893,602	1,780,063	202,256
1919-20 ..	45,974,992	12,556,111	6,764,005	2,986,784	1,350,081	172,973
1920-21 ..	145,873,850	18,521,077	7,258,782	4,686,366	1,470,768	182,525
1921-22 ..	129,088,806	12,147,433	7,840,438	3,902,189	2,436,890	300,004
1922-23 ..	109,261,255	..	..	..	2,317,464	305,592

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.†	Tons.†
1917-18 ..	11.74	16.87	26.63	1.23	25.19	2.87
1918-19 ..	9.47	13.59	24.10	1.07	15.33	1.74
1919-20 ..	7.16	11.75	25.48	0.96	15.05	1.93
1920-21 ..	16.08	19.77	25.53	1.45	15.54	1.93
1921-22 ..	13.28	16.56	25.69	1.30	18.99	2.34
1922-23 ..	11.17	..	..	..	15.85	2.09

* Estimated production 1923, 256,000 tons. † Per acre of productive cane.

AREA UNDER WHEAT, 1917-18 TO 1922-23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1917-18	†3,329,371	2,690,216	127,815	2,355,682	1,249,762	21,812	..	9,774,658
1918-19	†2,409,669	2,214,490	21,637	2,186,349	1,146,103	11,917	..	7,990,165
1919-20	†1,474,174	1,918,269	46,478	1,926,915	1,041,827	11,497	..	6,419,160
1920-21	†3,127,377	2,295,865	177,320	2,167,646	1,275,675	28,284	..	9,072,167
1921-22	†3,194,949	2,611,198	164,670	2,384,012	1,336,228	27,985	..	9,719,042
1922-23	2,962,140	2,644,314	145,492	2,453,086	1,552,868	22,800	..	9,780,700

† Including Federal Capital Territory, 515 acres in 1917-18, 36 acres in 1918-19, 139 acres in 1919-20, 602 acres in 1920-21, and 541 acres in 1921-22.

TOTAL YIELD OF WHEAT, 1917-18 TO 1922-23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1917-18	*37,712,000	37,737,552	1,035,268	28,692,594	9,303,787	252,383	..	114,733,584
1918-19	*18,325,000	25,239,871	104,509	22,936,925	8,845,387	186,570	..	75,638,262
1919-20	*4,388,022	14,858,880	311,638	14,980,413	11,222,950	213,589	..	45,974,992
1920-21	*55,625,000	39,468,625	3,707,357	34,258,914	12,248,080	565,874	..	145,873,850
1921-22	*42,767,000	43,867,586	3,025,786	24,946,525	13,904,721	577,178	..	129,088,806
1922-23	28,594,000	35,697,220	1,877,836	28,784,767	13,857,432	450,000	..	109,261,255

* Including Federal Capital Territory, 7,374 bushels 1917-18, 300 bushels 1918-19, 813 bushels 1919-20, 14,007 bushels in 1920-21, and 7,611 bushels in 1921-22.

Principal Crops—Australia, 1917-18 to 1922-23—continued.

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE, 1917-18 TO 1922-23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1917-18	11.33	14.03	8.10	12.18	7.44	11.57	..	11.74
1918-19	7.60	11.40	4.83	10.49	7.72	15.66	..	9.47
1919-20	2.98	7.75	6.71	7.77	10.77	18.58	..	7.16
1920-21	17.79	17.19	20.91	15.80	9.60	20.01	..	16.08
1921-22	13.39	16.80	18.37	10.46	10.41	20.62	..	13.28
1922-23	9.65	13.50	12.91	11.73	8.92	19.74	..	11.17

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK, 1917 TO 1922.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. †	Victoria. §	Q'land.	S. Aust. †	W. Aust.	Tasmania. §	N. Ter.	Fed.Cap. Ter.†	Total.
SHEEP.									
1917	38,482,465	14,760,013	17,204,268	6,229,519	6,384,191	1,711,116	54,709	138,731	84,965,012
1918	37,243,770	15,773,902	18,220,985	6,625,184	7,183,747	1,841,924	58,620	138,104	87,086,236
1919	29,077,514	14,422,745	17,379,332	6,014,565	6,697,951	1,781,425	8,811	171,739	75,554,082
1920	33,691,838	12,171,084	17,404,840	6,359,944	6,532,965	1,570,832	6,062	159,990	77,897,555
1921	37,025,716	12,325,818	18,402,399	6,257,052	6,506,177	1,551,273	6,349	151,686	82,226,470
1922	..	11,765,520	17,641,071	..	6,664,135	..	..	..	..

CATTLE.

1917	3,148,309	1,371,049	5,316,558	313,245	927,086	197,938	541,545	13,408	11,829,138
1918	3,271,782	1,596,544	5,786,744	342,768	943,847	218,234	570,039	8,894	12,738,852
1919	3,075,954	1,631,120	5,940,433	349,562	880,644	214,442	610,534	8,378	12,711,067
1920	3,367,880	1,575,159	6,455,067	376,399	849,803	208,202	659,840	7,387	13,499,737
1921	3,538,240	1,750,369	7,047,370	419,197	893,108	216,704	568,031	8,290	14,441,309
1922	..	1,785,660	6,955,463	..	939,596	..	..	..	..

HORSES.

1917	740,806	514,061	731,977	262,840	178,151	42,396	26,231	1,441	2,497,903
1918	721,302	523,788	758,632	269,255	180,094	41,221	31,436	1,421	2,527,149
1919	660,751	513,500	730,326	264,901	174,919	39,452	35,839	1,513	2,421,201
1920	661,846	487,503	741,024	268,187	178,664	39,117	37,837	1,332	2,415,510
1921	668,501	496,124	746,281	267,639	180,334	38,439	39,565	1,299	2,438,182
1922	..	494,947	714,055	..	181,159	..	..	..	..

PIGS.

1917	395,639	323,159	172,699	110,353	111,844	54,653	500	518	1,169,365
1918	294,338	267,819	140,966	79,078	85,863	44,328	1,200	310	913,902
1919	253,338	186,810	99,593	60,295	58,155	35,530	1,675	572	895,968
1920	305,967	175,275	104,370	78,395	60,581	38,116	1,416	286	764,406
1921	383,326	230,770	145,083	87,667	63,001	49,743	452	343	960,385
1922	..	294,962	160,617	..	67,561	..	..	..	..

† As at 30th June year following.

§ As at 1st March year following.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—1918-19 TO 1922-23.

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. *	Victoria.	Q'land. †	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1919..	305,613,000	126,647,061	113,777,272	55,947,108	45,317,271	10,279,998	330,000	657,911,710
1920..	296,641,000	132,847,167	118,035,461	58,306,918	46,299,331	11,069,237	50,000	663,249,164
1921..	240,231,000	90,250,571	114,809,963	48,953,503	43,714,630	9,503,048	40,000	547,502,715
1922..	285,418,000	103,512,777	132,579,733	54,038,262	46,301,039	9,634,624	30,000	631,514,435
1923†	294,220,000	95,718,000	111,602,100	51,198,000	38,721,056	9,472,000	30,000	600,961,156

* Including Federal Capital Territory. † For year ended previous 31st December. ‡ Estimated.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE, 1917 to 1922.

Year.	N.S.W. *	Victoria. *	Q'land.	S. Aust. *	W. Aust.	Tas.	N.T.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
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BUTTER.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917	80,460,225	64,405,711	38,930,690	10,482,895	1,361,484	4,848,227	..	7,782	200,497,014
1918	65,991,738	66,240,403	32,371,575	10,444,789	1,789,390	4,947,560	..	17,220	181,802,675
1919	63,127,160	60,218,945	26,213,514	9,810,335	1,980,273	4,290,724	..	7,840	165,648,791
1920	84,259,641	64,938,458	40,751,373	11,897,279	2,212,511	4,014,402	..	8,400	208,081,864
1921	100,652,620	82,981,570	60,923,194	14,565,599	2,653,153	5,270,243	..	19,961	267,071,340
1922	..	..	53,785,599	..	2,766,533	..	..	..	..

CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917	7,799,676	5,285,003	11,142,114	2,449,716	100	754,196	..	..	27,430,805
1918	5,982,120	6,055,964	8,636,700	2,412,388	200	702,868	..	..	23,790,240
1919	6,762,467	7,735,023	8,296,318	2,540,183	821	861,460	..	..	26,196,272
1920	6,407,209	3,636,571	11,512,262	1,804,696	354	799,432	..	..	24,160,524
1921	7,367,057	5,675,909	15,200,527	3,392,400	1,073	1,016,037	..	..	32,653,003
1922	..	..	10,560,316	..	214	..	..	..	..

BACON AND HAMS.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917	18,544,053	21,324,846	14,791,540	6,591,064	†2,362,604	1,298,819	..	11,091	64,924,017
1918	16,801,370	22,212,395	16,476,480	6,567,394	†2,813,650	1,309,633	..	296	66,181,218
1919	16,657,362	19,385,509	12,155,489	5,810,616	†2,609,284	1,128,096	..	12,236	57,758,592
1920	16,249,762	15,139,100	11,337,050	4,172,372	†2,077,662	1,267,061	..	7,480	50,250,487
1921	20,413,330	17,396,798	12,386,417	5,089,424	†1,962,621	1,356,329	..	9,540	58,614,459
1922	..	..	15,130,545	..	†2,035,820	..	..	..	..

* Year ending 30th June year following. † Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED, 1918 to 1922.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
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GOLD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918..	369,743	674,655	567,371	26,252	3,723,183	44,724	*2,229	5,408,157
1919..	336,240	691,632	618,101	16,465	3,748,882	39,252	*4,234	5,454,806
1920..	275,109	859,461	648,168	9,546	3,475,392	35,134	*5,282	5,308,092
1921..	271,302	554,087	214,060	13,933	2,935,693	28,311	*1,299	4,018,685
1922..	118,359	501,515	378,154	4,693	2,525,811	16,101	*540	3,545,173

SILVER AND LEAD.

1918..	5,739,509	1,319	36,645	10,492	189,636	127,176	*200	6,104,977
1919..	1,647,878	1,607	28,511	180	107,508	136,234	*132	1,922,050
1920..	123,481	1,714	135,559	2,646	190,484	309,035	*299	763,218
1921..	1,327,364	862	54,188	240	67,521	89,817	..	1,539,992
1922..	2,574,108	1,080	109,350	377	87,692	241,694	..	3,014,301

COPPER.

1918..	696,580	..	2,087,751	828,556	66,146	776,106	*9,648	4,464,787
1919..	139,296	..	952,501	228,930	10,105	558,694	*2,349	1,891,875
1920..	127,978	..	1,551,995	423,601	25,165	528,237	*780	2,657,756
1921..	41,267	..	168,556	106,370	24,601	463,133	..	803,957
1922..	36,233	..	321,535	73,646	20,379	391,535	*798	844,126

* Year ended 30th June.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced, 1918 to 1922—continued.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
TIN.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918..	548,876	24,481	251,755	..	76,952	488,798	*41,432	1,432,294
1919..	416,623	17,561	143,167	..	47,269	395,794	*30,021	1,050,435
1920..	413,794	12,815	252,054	..	49,449	369,362	*27,610	1,125,084
1921..	163,451	11,961	98,471	..	6,485	130,257	*7,793	418,418
1922..	154,698	12,071	99,758	..	10,930	112,407	*5,891	395,755

COAL.

1918..	4,941,807	367,640	572,305	..	204,319	37,676	..	6,123,747
1919..	5,422,846	406,617	614,307	..	270,355	47,004	..	6,761,129
1920..	7,723,355	528,919	841,551	..	350,346	64,005	..	9,508,176
1921..	9,078,388	634,397	831,483	..	407,117	63,446	..	11,014,831
1922..	8,507,946	695,430	840,472	..	381,555	61,016	..	10,486,419

ALL MINERALS.

1918..	13,220,135	1,102,652	3,740,925	1,441,885	4,265,577	1,597,694	*92,730	25,461,598
1919..	8,911,725	1,151,980	2,575,225	771,659	4,191,973	1,307,692	*71,697	18,981,951
1920..	9,791,979	1,435,135	3,617,870	1,150,849	4,110,376	1,426,442	*80,101	21,612,752
1921..	12,052,509	1,218,783	1,495,899	904,659	3,463,764	822,767	*19,003	19,977,384
1922..	12,951,164	1,244,966	1,859,084	331,866	3,041,112	878,009	*9,959	20,316,160

* Year ended 30th June.

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA, 1917 to 1921-22.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing.	Total.
1917..	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1918..	59,641	82,322	31,326	5,523	24,998	69,797	273,607
1919..	59,036	86,793	33,738	7,137	25,462	75,362	287,528
1919-20	72,202	100,920	38,830	10,170	18,982	98,162	339,266
1920-21	112,801	86,882	52,613	10,490	21,613	109,435	393,834
1921-22	81,890	69,254	44,417	10,373	19,977	120,751	346,662

* These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to certain products which are there included having been included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this Table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA, 1918 to 1921-22.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid.*	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture.	Value of Output.
1918† ..	15,421	328,049	38,379,268	96,588,009	146,081,401	79,672,210	225,753,611
1918-19||	15,588	340,475	42,506,095	102,176,713	162,482,772	86,574,116	249,056,888
1919-20||	16,291	376,734	52,115,558	113,017,165	187,722,877	104,813,731	292,536,608
1920-21||	17,113	386,639	62,931,718	129,486,738	205,866,282	118,126,801	323,993,083
1921-22||	18,023	395,425	68,050,861	145,408,138	190,410,265	129,921,500	320,331,765

* Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors. † New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June. || See note ‡ following table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES—1919-20 to 1921-22.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1919-20.†							
1. Factories .. No.	5,662	6,038	1,754	1,368	817	652	16,291
2. Hands employed* ..	144,454	136,522	40,891	29,442	15,409	10,016	376,734
3. Wages paid† .. £	21,681,196	17,702,173	5,364,818	3,988,062	2,173,350	1,205,959	52,115,558
4. Value of fuel used ..	2,710,666	1,723,220	531,612	558,802	222,334	112,555	5,859,189
5. „ materials used ..	81,188,497	65,563,104	19,386,068	12,970,957	5,051,114	3,563,137	187,722,877
6. „ added in process of manufacture ..	42,024,983	35,912,259	13,066,676	7,483,582	3,672,814	2,653,417	104,813,731
7. „ of output of fctrs. ..	123,213,480	101,475,363	32,452,744	20,454,539	8,723,928	6,216,554	292,536,608
8. „ land & buildings ..	24,108,890	14,957,585	5,886,215	3,977,099	3,132,014	955,768	53,017,571
9. „ plant & mchnry. ..	26,366,083	15,846,935	8,867,803	3,931,562	2,938,889	2,048,322	59,999,594

1920-21.†							
1. Factories .. No.	5,837	6,532	1,795	1,438	895	616	17,113
2. Hands employed* ..	145,011	140,743	43,196	30,430	17,034	10,225	386,639
3. Wages paid† .. £	25,618,591	21,377,216	6,718,905	4,866,211	2,870,567	1,480,228	62,931,718
4. Value of fuel used ..	3,608,744	2,184,096	766,590	704,775	273,061	155,222	7,692,488
5. „ materials used ..	91,104,505	65,401,425	24,073,200	14,375,430	6,677,414	4,234,308	205,866,282
6. „ added in process of manufacture ..	46,736,881	40,606,869	15,117,042	7,982,679	4,765,666	2,917,664	118,126,801
7. „ of output of fctrs. ..	137,841,386	106,008,294	39,190,242	22,358,109	11,443,080	7,151,972	323,993,083
8. „ land & buildings ..	28,428,917	17,313,350	6,261,266	4,495,667	3,350,608	981,660	60,881,468
9. „ plant & mchnry. ..	31,115,444	18,179,385	9,615,509	4,473,247	3,340,158	1,931,527	68,655,270

1921-22.†							
1. Factories .. No.	6,356	6,753	1,810	1,432	986	686	18,023
2. Hands employed* ..	148,876	144,876	42,248	31,171	18,127	10,127	395,425
3. Wages paid† .. £	26,783,242	23,846,495	7,217,773	5,313,927	3,386,550	1,502,874	68,050,861
4. Value of fuel used ..	3,983,730	2,329,760	668,224	798,495	324,619	151,553	8,256,381
5. „ materials used ..	82,090,396	60,352,561	24,808,420	14,087,930	6,087,693	2,983,265	190,410,265
6. „ added in process of manufacture ..	50,720,669	45,890,620	15,525,878	9,766,927	5,204,046	2,813,360	129,921,500
7. „ of output of fctrs. ..	132,811,065	106,243,181	40,334,298	23,854,857	11,291,739	5,796,625	320,331,765
8. „ land & buildings ..	32,052,303	19,810,170	6,373,504	4,711,022	3,206,295	1,169,164	67,322,458
9. „ plant & mchnry. ..	35,229,530	21,182,110	10,253,104	4,896,264	3,596,877	2,927,795	78,085,680

* Includes working proprietors.

† Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors,

‡ Queensland, Western Australia, and Tasmania for year ended 31st December; New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June, six months later.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED BY PROCESSES OF MANUFACTURE—AUSTRALIA, 1918-19 to 1921-22.

Industries.	1918-19. ‡	1919-20. ‡	1920-21. ‡	1921-22. ‡
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, etc., pursuits ..	£ 4,248,004	£ 5,960,804	£ 3,960,255	£ 4,012,361
Treating oils and fats ..	1,359,159	1,620,230	1,434,693	1,610,779
Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc. ..	3,677,998	4,743,122	6,638,626	6,455,270
Working in wood ..	5,431,701	7,068,844	8,747,762	9,073,287
Metal works, machinery, etc. ..	17,404,313	18,227,976	24,747,266	25,899,384
Connected with food and drink, etc. ..	20,247,950	24,813,602	24,043,642	28,926,549
Clothing and textile fabrics, etc. ..	11,607,339	15,495,773	17,220,926	19,530,725
Books, paper, printing and engraving ..	5,903,113	7,024,935	8,532,291	9,263,926
Musical instruments, etc. ..	174,140	241,895	340,060	371,140
Arms and explosives ..	547,487	415,950	425,892	441,936
Vehicles & Fittings, saddlery, harness, etc.	2,376,200	3,053,731	3,691,501	4,187,875
Ship and boat building and repairing ..	1,322,143	2,009,532	1,928,092	1,982,623
Furniture, bedding, and upholstery ..	1,759,600	2,311,437	2,787,103	2,832,336
Drugs, chemicals, and by-products ..	2,170,737	2,483,291	2,718,054	3,304,286
Surgical and other scientific instruments	98,489	99,408	132,203	152,174
Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware ..	474,145	644,194	687,591	633,049
Heat, light, and power ..	6,495,601	6,890,065	8,067,226	9,187,334
Leatherware, n.e.i. ..	326,386	484,972	505,405	640,638
Minor wares, n.e.i. ..	949,611	1,223,970	1,518,213	1,415,828
	86,574,116	104,813,731	118,126,801	129,921,500

‡ See note ‡ previous.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1921-22.

Particulars.	N.S.W. †	Victoria. †	Q'land.	S. Aust. †	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages*	20.17	22.45	17.89	22.28	29.99	25.93	21.24
Fuel	3.00	2.19	1.66	3.35	2.87	2.61	2.58
Materials used ..	61.81	56.81	61.51	59.06	53.91	51.47	59.44
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses & charges	15.02	18.55	18.94	15.31	13.23	19.99	16.74
Total output ..	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Wages per cent. to added value† ..	52.81	51.96	46.49	54.41	65.08	53.42	52.38

* Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors. † For year ended 30th June, 1922.

† By "added value" is meant the amount by which the value of raw materials has been enhanced by those processes of manufacture to which the wages relate.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee*, 1918 to 1921-22.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918† ..	126.18	110.77	129.45	131.94	138.55	115.57	121.75
1918-19† ..	137.33	120.47	129.45	136.64	138.55	115.57	129.80
1919-20† ..	154.87	135.52	135.86	141.63	145.24	126.03	143.65
1920-21† ..	182.39	159.41	161.12	166.96	173.60	150.86	169.28
1921-22† ..	186.21	172.84	177.12	177.76	191.94	156.93	179.24

* Exclusive of working proprietors. † New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June. ‡ Queensland, Western Australia, and Tasmania for year ended 31st December; New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June, six months later.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1921-22.

—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Males	112,362	97,789	35,050	25,006	15,514	8,525	294,246
Females	36,514	47,087	7,198	6,165	2,613	1,602	101,179
Masculinity* ..	51.0	35.0	65.9	60.4	71.2	68.4	48.8

* Excess of Males over Females per 100 of both sexes combined.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA,
1918-19 to 1922-23.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1918-19 ..	2,220,159	1,018,901	3,239,060	2,824,741	116,685	2,941,426
1919-20 ..	2,593,961	1,447,583	4,041,544	3,957,273	87,690	4,044,963
1920-21 ..	3,236,111	1,522,805	4,758,916	4,621,333	122,769	4,744,102
1921-22 ..	3,108,757	1,451,624	4,560,381	4,432,674	88,223	4,520,897
1922-23 ..	3,990,977	652,339	4,643,316	4,291,972	236,938	4,528,910

OVERSEA AND INTER-STATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and shipped,
States, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

State.	Discharged.			Shipped.		
	Oversea.	Inter-State.	Total.	Oversea.	Inter-State.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1921-22.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,043,582	1,246,304	2,289,886	2,662,784	3,260,737	5,923,521
Victoria ..	848,260	2,077,233	2,925,493	1,299,029	537,372	1,836,401
Queensland ..	127,485	420,315	547,800	237,964	438,840	676,804
South Australia	246,820	1,067,601	1,314,421	1,031,772	720,267	1,752,039
Western Aust. ..	136,062	312,381	448,443	498,608	95,632	594,240
Tasmania ..	16,631	316,026	332,657	85,954	480,418	566,372
Northern Terr. ..	1,137	3,744	4,881	63	450	513
Total ..	2,419,977	5,443,604	7,863,581	5,816,174	5,533,716	11,349,890
1920-21.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,441,645	1,326,294	2,767,939	3,377,843	2,811,376	6,189,219
Victoria ..	1,075,380	1,758,929	2,834,309	899,230	609,623	1,508,853
Queensland ..	154,286	433,159	587,445	260,019	361,818	621,837
South Australia	339,857	861,794	1,201,651	871,223	706,711	1,577,934
Western Aust. ..	166,519	326,032	492,551	473,748	83,880	557,628
Tasmania ..	23,243	281,521	304,764	42,839	418,288	461,127
Northern Terr. ..	285	5,301	5,586	231	1,982	2,213
Total ..	3,201,215	4,993,030	8,194,245	5,925,133	4,993,678	10,918,811
Total 1919-20 ..	2,238,298	4,274,168	6,512,466	4,984,946	4,415,909	9,400,855
„ 1918-19 ..	2,312,288	4,538,592	6,850,880	3,813,651	4,495,258	8,308,909
„ 1917-18 ..	2,012,387	4,709,076	6,721,463	2,613,561	4,833,428	7,446,989

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED
KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AS AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1923.

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	5s. per box.
Butter substitutes ..	..	..	..	..	70s. per ton measurement.
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Meats, Potted or Concentrated ..	..	..	..	..	70s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—					
Beef ..	..	..	..	..	1d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Mutton ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	..	90s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Other ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Milk and Cream ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.
All other Animal Foodstuffs ..	..	..	..	..	1½d. per lb.

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates between Australia and the United Kingdom and
Continent as at 30th September, 1923—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—		
Biscuits, Dried Fruits, Jams and Jellies	70s. per ton measurement.	
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator)	4s. 6d. per case.	
Oranges (bushel cases)	4s. 6d. per case.	
Wheat, Unprepared	25s. per ton weight.	
Flour, Wheat	25s. per ton weight.	
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	70s. per ton measurement.	
BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC) AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING		70s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (ALCOHOLIC)		70s. per ton measurement.
TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF		70s. per ton measurement.
ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—		
Skins, Calf	£d. per lb.	
Rabbit and Hare	1½d. per lb.	
Sheep	£d. per lb.	
Other	1½d. per lb.	
Pearlshell	70s. per ton measurement.	
Wool—Greasy	1½d. per lb., + 5 per cent.	
Scoured and Washed	1½d. per lb., + 5 per cent.	
Tops	1½d. per lb.	
All other Animal Substances	1½d. per lb., + 5 per cent.	
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—		
Bark, Tanning (Chopped)	70s. per ton weight.	
(Ground)	52s. 6d. per ton weight.	
Copra	61s. 3d. per ton weight.	
Sandalwood	70s. per ton measurement.	
Fibre	87s. 6d. per ton weight.	
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRE—		
Boots and Shoes	70s. per ton measurement.	
All other Apparel	70s. per ton measurement.	
Binder Twine	122s. 6d. per ton weight.	
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—		
Oil, Coconut	78s. 9d. per ton weight.	
Tallow, Unrefined	78s. 9d. per ton weight.	
Beeswax	70s. per ton measurement.	
Dripping	70s. per ton measurement.	
PAINTS AND VARNISHES		70s. per ton measurement.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—		
Zinc—Dross or Dust	140s. per ton weight.	
Sheets	61s. 3d. per ton weight.	
RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES		70s. per ton measurement.
THEREFOR		
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—		
Timber, Sawn (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.	
Squared or Round (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.	
PAPER AND STATIONERY		70s. per ton measurement.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—		
Oil, Eucalyptus	70s. per ton measurement.	
MISCELLANEOUS—		
Soap	70s. per ton measurement.	
BRONZE SPECIE	15 per cent.	

**INTERSTATE AND NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
30th SEPTEMBER, 1923.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement, 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From—		
	Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	20 0	20 0	30 0
Sydney	30 0	20 0	20 0
Melbourne	37 6	25 0	20 0
Adelaide	60 0	40 0	35 0
Fremantle	60 0*	40 0*	35 0*
Perth .. .. .	..	20 0	20 0
Hobart .. .. .	..	..	..
Launceston .. .. .	..	..	..
Devonport .. .. .	..	..	17 6
Burnie .. .. .	..	..	..
Auckland .. .. .	..	35 0	62 3†
Wellington .. .. .	..	35 0	..
Lyttelton .. .. .	..	35 0	63 9†
Dunedin .. .. .	..	35 0	..
Papua .. .. .	..	60 0	87 6
Territory of New Guinea .. .. .	..	60 0	87 6

* Plus lighterage, 8s. 6d. per ton measurement, or 9s. 6d. per ton weight.

† Includes transhipment expenses: direct rates 35s. 0d.

COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

States and Territories.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.*
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	46,013,102	44,691,959	72,466,306	43,321,478	55,000,154
Victoria	35,026,311	33,788,287	57,608,777	36,352,056	47,069,345
Queensland	6,075,649	7,218,694	11,840,442	8,639,446	10,789,674
South Australia	6,502,319	7,473,893	12,381,973	9,047,242	10,847,116
Western Australia	8,083,852	4,959,062	7,219,538	4,308,141	6,500,326
Tasmania	608,786	813,341	2,264,933	1,385,958	1,589,556
Northern Territory	25,140	29,056	19,857	12,115	12,502
Total	102,335,159	98,974,292	163,801,826	103,066,436	131,808,673

* Preliminary figures.

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS, 1918-19 to 1922-23.*

States and Territories.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.†
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	51,027,359	55,017,065	52,601,798	48,012,511	42,591,127
Victoria	28,095,159	43,124,940	34,871,961	34,644,182	33,806,250
Queensland	12,447,616	14,403,922	15,171,884	17,573,103	15,782,166
South Australia	11,570,470	20,530,355	17,773,919	14,747,260	13,587,974
Western Australia	9,444,021	14,459,097	10,395,015	10,797,000	9,670,346
Tasmania	1,002,093	2,010,503	1,329,583	2,067,443	2,460,374
Northern Territory	377,258	277,627	14,752	5,036	14,846
Total	113,963,976	149,823,509	132,158,912	127,846,535	117,913,083

* Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for trans-shipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

† Preliminary figures.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Year.	Value.					Value per Head.								
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total.	Total.	Total.	Total.
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1918-19	216,299,135	102,335,159	106,026,801	7,937,175	113,963,976*	42 11 4	20 2 9	20 17 4	1 11 3	3 22 8	7	7	7	7
1919-20	248,797,801	98,974,292	144,569,324	5,254,185	149,823,509*	46 18 1	18 13 2	27 5 1	0 19 10	28 4 11	11	11	11	11
1920-21	295,960,738	163,801,826	126,430,681	5,728,231	132,158,912*	54 14 0	30 5 7	23 7 3	1 1 2	24 8 5	5	5	5	5
1921-22	230,912,971	103,066,436	123,487,512	4,359,023	127,846,535*	41 18 2	18 14 1	22 8 3	0 15 10	23 4 1	1	1	1	1
1922-23†	249,721,756	131,808,673	114,796,462	3,116,621	117,913,083*	44 6 5	23 7 10	20 7 6	0 11 1	20 18 7	7	7	7	7

* Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board oversea ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1918-19, £1,765,367; in 1919-20, £2,688,371; in 1920-21, £3,560,648; and in 1921-22, £3,152,604.

† Preliminary figures.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918-19	95,264,120	7,071,039	102,335,159	104,773,772	9,190,203	113,963,975	9,509,652	2,119,164	11,628,816
1919-20	98,928,206	46,086	98,974,292	143,189,293	6,634,216	149,823,509	44,261,087	6,588,130	50,849,217
1920-21	163,781,682	20,144	163,801,826	126,710,172	5,448,740	132,158,912	37,071,510	5,428,596	31,642,914
1921-22	103,023,132	43,304	103,066,436	123,517,835	4,328,700	127,846,535	20,494,703	4,285,396	24,780,099
1922-23*	131,778,093	30,580	131,808,673	114,620,953	3,292,130	117,913,083	17,157,140	3,261,550	13,895,590

* Preliminary figures.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and Total Net Revenue collected, during the September Quarter of 1922 and 1923, during the years 1921 and 1922, and during the financial years 1921-22 and 1922-23.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to Revision.)

Division.	September Quarter.		Year.		Financial Year.	
	1922.	1923.	1921.	1922.	1921-22.	1922-23.
CUSTOMS.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages	633,942	694,606	1,857,645	2,201,821	1,984,781	2,297,258
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof	514,303	479,642	1,803,836	1,991,616	1,923,971	2,032,142
3. Sugar	2,919	3,493	9,754	11,052	13,820	11,576
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	279,877	318,897	832,260	1,134,160	972,851	1,184,483
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire	1,755,407	1,297,060	4,236,906	5,958,809	4,641,719	5,954,751
6. Metals and Machinery	968,397	1,032,667	4,725,375	3,723,023	3,624,842	4,035,904
7. Oils, Paints, and Varnishes	132,925	167,166	490,043	499,557	441,734	588,078
8. Earthenware, &c.	145,161	146,090	560,460	572,857	518,128	570,789
9. Drugs and Chemicals	163,530	118,199	372,552	528,935	418,507	556,764
10. Wood, Wicker, and Cane	215,773	324,679	470,855	803,607	564,998	1,065,444
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	205,657	226,385	582,616	675,361	558,473	741,807
12. Leather and Rubber	223,155	357,139	500,249	826,435	529,400	1,154,058
13. Paper and Stationery	208,341	180,646	895,197	743,162	656,677	764,263
14. Vehicles	292,591	543,788	788,591	1,121,507	738,430	1,574,651
15. Musical Instruments	48,145	99,795	185,331	204,190	173,206	251,589
16. Miscellaneous	170,691	209,650	557,080	600,584	510,232	726,857
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	12,600	10,089	55,390	54,369	52,847	57,475
Total Customs ..	5,973,414	6,209,991	18,924,140	21,651,045	18,324,616	23,567,979
EXCISE.						
Beer	1,089,640	1,079,836	5,619,659	5,494,431	5,499,576	5,520,088
Spirits	429,465	482,577	1,532,527	1,551,675	1,513,647	1,615,960
Starch	5,314	3,756	15,247	17,345	16,847	20,343
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	776,583	787,206	3,187,228	3,220,922	3,289,502	3,130,503
Licences, &c.	229	331	15,347	11,920	12,723	12,781
Total Excise ..	2,301,231	2,353,706	10,370,008	10,296,293	10,332,295	10,299,675
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	8,274,645	8,563,697	29,294,148	31,947,338	28,656,911	33,867,654
Drawbacks and Re-payments ..	235,223	237,188	1,139,124	949,322	1,044,736	995,366
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	8,039,422	8,326,509	28,155,024	30,998,016	27,612,175	32,872,288

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA of the undermentioned classes of goods—the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Japan, the United States of America, and all countries during the year ending 30th June, 1923.

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Germany.*	Japan.	U.S. America.	Total all Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin	314,789	213,701	200	8,974	345,031	1,773,583
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin, non-alcoholic beverages	506,694	2,495	1,089	22,734	205,093	5,577,378
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	1,585,575	2,465	425	156	67	1,864,233
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof	160,787	74	726	44	1,872,372	2,231,910
5. Live animals	53,944	249	..	..	3,727	113,805
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs	90,937	121	378	5,370	23,510	961,353
7. Vegetable substances and fibres	117,111	2,745	1,429	76,445	69,572	2,851,728
8. Apparel, textiles, and manufactured fibres	31,266,789	228,919	54,499	2,930,768	2,427,371	44,914,128
9. Oils, fats, and waxes	310,340	324	691	43,272	3,265,398	5,986,297
10. Paints and varnishes	411,951	3,815	2,590	532	110,963	562,986
11. Stones and minerals, including ores and concentrates	88,372	596	372	268	115,949	337,547
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery	20,043,189	2,938,084	207,259	70,372	10,160,646	35,195,931
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof	659,820	418,052	15,744	1,430	1,150,685	2,641,802
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured	167,873	409,731	3,007	165,228	2,029,780	4,763,272
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass, and stoneware	1,332,709	5,936	11,227	221,803	154,646	2,204,794
16. Paper and stationery	3,577,531	658,663	20,069	25,691	639,203	6,294,337
17. Jewellery, timepieces, and fancy goods	987,849	3,209	52,869	148,366	261,871	2,406,132
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments	463,403	5,843	21,692	6,198	633,956	1,189,300
19. Drugs, chemicals, and fertilizers	1,980,428	9,759	57,960	29,911	590,022	3,894,435
20. Miscellaneous	4,077,053	44,065	121,007	173,921	833,466	5,996,532
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie	3,973	..	37	..	372	47,190
Total	68,201,117	4,948,846	573,270	3,931,483	24,893,700	131,808,673

* Prior to 1st August, 1922, the importation of German goods was prohibited.

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured.*		
QUANTITY.							
	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1918-19	411,148	9,667,900	26,738,158	4,580,337	1,091,360	596,875	1,199,895
1919-20	390,063	10,355,872	49,482,395	5,523,341	910,508	2,469,713	1,210,789
1920-21	924,210	4,594,500	46,075,130	4,178,800	681,244	548,938	1,796,425
1921-22	1,273,474	7,194,672	59,968,334	7,107,151	1,085,594	917,150	1,241,674
1922-23†	789,754	7,890,064	18,906,163	5,983,415	1,127,746	1,676,126	1,528,558
VALUE.							
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918-19	3,193,086	5,818,824	11,334,655	31,479,990	11,286,765	1,298,431	2,472,736
1919-20	3,301,695	8,906,973	22,568,633	38,416,481	12,127,322	5,482,564	2,479,248
1920-21	11,067,104	4,948,756	34,473,350	25,304,295	8,475,755	1,578,658	3,819,841
1921-22	7,968,078	5,519,881	28,644,155	38,974,292	9,002,752	2,139,615	1,867,927
1922-23†	6,082,414	4,521,976	8,469,574	45,816,772	11,324,839	4,321,917	1,803,882

* Includes Tops.

† Preliminary figures.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM
AUSTRALIA DURING THE SEPTEMBER QUARTER, 1922 AND 1923.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS.

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, BUT EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.		
Fish—		
Preserved in Tins	149,101	144,717
All other	53,437	61,501
Meats—		
Preserved in Tins	3,149	6,935
All other, including Sausage Casings	80,448	82,269
Milk and Cream	8,062	7,344
All other Animal Foodstuffs	9,275	220,447
TOTAL, CLASS I.	303,472	523,213
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.		
Aerated and Mineral Waters, Wine, Unfermented (Grape), &c. ..	1,977	3,837
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter, and Cocoa Butter ..	51,332	34,078
Cocoa and Chocolate	96,757	56,970
Coffee and Chicory	22,963	37,565
Confectionery—		
Chocolate	1,010	3,975
N.E.I.	10,425	11,060
Fruits—Dried	19,495	7,997
Fruits, Fresh—		
Apples .. ..	..	..
Bananas	4,068	2,821
All other	59	228
Grain and Pulse—		
Unprepared	66,263	206,689
Prepared—Rice	26,946	31,265
„ All other	10,201	3,297
Hops	5,874	2,940
Mustard	32,394	19,108
Nuts, Edible	82,731	65,986
Pickles and Sauces	26,535	22,317
Sago and Tapioca	22,280	34,148
Spices	35,040	36,107
Sugar (Cane)	37,714	5,832
Tea	639,425	789,868
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	98,349	128,212
TOTAL, CLASS II.	1,291,838	1,504,300

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£
Ale, Beer and Porter, Cider and Perry	52,611	55,207
Spirits (Beverages)—		
Brandy	27,804	38,821
Gin	30,706	29,699
Rum	6,711	3,882
Whisky	323,499	297,687
Other	10,636	7,433
Wine (Fermented)—		
Sparkling	9,736	13,368
Other	8,271	8,931
TOTAL, CLASS III. ..	469,974	455,028
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.		
Tobacco—		
Manufactured	24,552	15,221
Unmanufactured	103,220	732,331
Cigars	22,057	23,128
Cigarettes	26,269	33,638
Snuff	293	310
TOTAL, CLASS IV. ..	176,391	804,628
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	21,249	77,644
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.		
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds ..	8,893	8,112
Skins—		
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse) ..	127,235	156,571
Sheep	10,897	19,626
Other	37,306	29,650
All other Animal Substances ..	51,479	54,098
TOTAL, CLASS VI. ..	235,810	268,057
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.		
Bark, Tanning	1,786	8,780
Copra	287,312	160,339
Fibres—		
Flax and Hemp, including Phormium Tenax	60,630	89,819
All other	105,182	114,558
Pulp for Papermaking	25,141	34,490
All other Vegetable Substances ..	304,746	305,379
TOTAL, CLASS VII. ..	784,797	713,365

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL; (b) TEXTILES; (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.		
(a) <i>Apparel.</i>		
Apparel—		
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. ..	53,471	59,211
Boots and Shoes	66,484	93,103
Hats and Caps	125,559	125,753
Hosiery and Knitted Apparel (including Socks and Stockings)	796,747	497,313
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	13,376	17,611
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	87,530	64,891
Trimmings	429,810	224,643
Other.. ..	704,449	508,442
(b) <i>Textiles.</i>		
Piece Goods—		
Canvas and Duck	270,515	245,297
Cotton and Linen	4,563,821	3,378,897
Silk	1,551,925	1,186,488
Woollen	1,145,138	752,681
Other.. ..	645,046	486,424
Floor Coverings—Carpets, Linoleums, Mats, &c.	640,004	590,311
All other Textiles	838,158	616,707
(c) <i>Manufactured Fibres.</i>		
Bags and Sacks—		
Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	59,646	198,874
Corn and Flour	196,624	155,555
All other	192,205	207,165
Cordage and Twines (excluding Metal Cordage)	71,000	105,631
Yarns—		
Cotton	102,305	80,092
Wool	344,212	158,854
Other.. ..	104,276	45,609
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. ..	13,002,301	9,799,552
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.		
Oils (in Bulk)—		
Kerosene	172,685	184,815
Lubricating (Mineral)	149,102	205,209
Petroleum Spirit	806,653	1,039,925
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes ..	242,954	328,312
TOTAL, CLASS IX. ..	1,371,394	1,758,261
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES ..		
	123,850	140,369

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.	61,579	207,333
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.		
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>		
Electrical Machinery and Appliances—		
Cable and Wire Covered ..	306,484	149,037
N.E.I.	810,920	735,887
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viti-cultural)	140,471	169,129
All other Machines and Machinery ..	1,153,283	1,623,346
(b) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures, other than Machinery.</i>		
Alloys—		
Ferrous	1,558	2,166
Other	59,513	55,402
Gas Appliances	36,363	21,611
Iron and Steel—		
Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, Blooms, &c.	352,288	280,597
Girders, Beams, Channels, Joists, &c.	46,471	66,722
Pig and Scrap	32,473	21,382
Pipes and Tubes	163,162	432,657
Plate and Sheet—		
Galvanized, Flat	160,924	116,167
Galvanized, Corrugated	539,573	442,462
Plain	72,549	198,064
Tinned	186,167	228,935
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. ..	19,699	70,082
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	218,899	267,909
Vehicles—		
Motor Cycles, Tricycles, &c. ..	49,056	108,435
Bodies for Motor Cars, &c. ..	85,583	199,339
Chassis for Motor Cars, &c. ..	1,107,475	2,087,505
Other and Parts	268,888	421,354
Wire—Iron and Steel	197,309	169,697
All other Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery ..	1,320,316	1,481,194
TOTAL, CLASS XII. ..	7,329,424	9,349,079

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.		
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.</i>		
Rubber, Crude, Powdered or Re- claimed	37,828	113,130
Rubber Manufactures	381,602	583,403
(b) <i>Leather and Manufactures of Leather and Substitutes therefor.</i>		
Patent and Enamelled	53,550	41,584
All other	111,344	79,291
TOTAL, CLASS XIII. ..	584,324	817,408
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.		
Timber—		
Dressed	232,517	357,264
Undressed	597,621	1,086,910
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, in- cluding Furniture	133,251	145,281
TOTAL, CLASS XIV. ..	963,389	1,589,455
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONEWARE.		
Cement (Portland)	29,863	14,926
Earthenware, China, &c.	220,689	178,374
Glass and Glassware	238,042	273,641
All other Earthenware, Cements, China, Glass, and Stoneware	49,371	72,277
TOTAL, CLASS XV. ..	537,965	539,218
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.		
(a) <i>Paper.</i>		
Cardboard and other Paper Boards ..	63,441	52,398
Printing	510,636	479,539
Wrapping of all Colours	113,146	93,044
Writing and Typewriting	132,392	106,365
All other	95,673	123,550
(b) <i>Stationery and Paper Manufactures.</i>		
Books (Printed), Directories, &c. ..	273,186	264,249
All other	306,440	278,827
TOTAL, CLASS XVI. ..	1,494,914	1,397,972
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.		
Fancy Goods	403,833	340,146
Jewellery, including Cameos, &c. ..	91,275	144,166
Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c.	94,379	163,708
TOTAL, CLASS XVII. ..	589,487	648,020

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.		
Films for Kinematographs, &c. ..	69,635	68,996
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	76,082	71,800
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	67,201	96,201
All other Optical and Scientific Instruments	87,510	97,430
TOTAL, CLASS XVIII. ..	300,428	334,427
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.		
Acid, Tartaric	1,486	6,931
Calcium Carbide	42	11,010
Cream of Tartar	69,412	31,290
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	10,964	12,090
Dyes	60,324	40,527
Fertilizers	200,488	147,078
Oils, Essential (Non-spirituous) ..	28,533	22,255
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	118,651	87,303
Proprietary Medicines	44,107	43,603
Sodium Salts—		
Carbonate (Soda Ash Crystals) ..	42,486	26,784
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) ..	37,914	27,024
N.E.L.	46,164	42,163
Sulphur (Brimstone)	71,838	40,035
All other Drugs and Chemicals ..	326,712	265,902
TOTAL, CLASS XIX. ..	1,059,121	803,995
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.		
Brushware	83,810	97,463
Matches and Vestas	75,005	69,465
Musical Instruments, &c.—		
Pianos and Parts	105,565	228,740
Other and Parts	46,629	64,890
Soap	26,546	35,225
All other Articles	536,302	636,868
TOTAL, CLASS XX. ..	873,857	1,132,651
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.		
Gold	13,501	510
Silver	5,425	17,760
Bronze—Specie	5	15
TOTAL, CLASS XXI. ..	18,931	18,285
SUMMARY.		
Importing States—		
New South Wales	13,058,321	14,078,708
Victoria	11,342,082	11,389,781
Queensland	2,699,782	2,738,123
South Australia	2,648,104	2,829,666
Western Australia	1,498,540	1,442,438
Tasmania	343,191	400,202
Northern Territory	4,475	3,342
GRAND TOTAL, IMPORTS ..	31,594,495	32,882,260

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.*

EXPORTS.

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, BUT EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.		
Butter	667,677	235,829
Butter Substitutes	16,182	910
Cheese	19,667	3,712
Meats—		
Potted or Concentrated	20,844	6,282
Preserved by Cold Process—		
Beef	656,933	414,166
Lamb	110,963	13,363
Mutton	123,325	9,249
Rabbits and Hares	165,482	201,697
Preserved in Tins	91,672	39,072
Other	214,835	146,512
Milk and Cream	282,421	155,983
All other Animal Foodstuffs	55,450	41,641
Total, Class I.	2,425,451	1,268,416
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.		
Aerated and Mineral Waters, Wine, Unfermented (Grape) &c.	13,607	22,778
Biscuits	32,158	30,057
Fruits, Dried—		
Currants	59,344	48,867
Raisins	100,606	147,462
Other	31,261	8,409
Fruits, Fresh—		
Apples	8,711	11,538
Other	91,343	62,332
Grain and Pulse—		
Unprepared—		
Wheat	1,117,365	1,841,059
Other	70,222	61,145
Prepared—		
Flour (Wheaten)	972,918	1,404,917
Rice	35,066	27,643
Other	14,805	17,312
Jams and Fruit Jellies	20,796	19,652
Tea	43,891	67,695
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	172,058	286,008
Total, Class II.	2,784,151	4,056,874

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry ..	12,669	12,909
Spirits (Beverages)	16,056	22,985
Wine	36,908	37,875
Total, Class III.	65,633	73,769
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF	190,229	96,761
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.		
Cattle	27,682	6,140
Horses	14,230	7,609
Sheep	14,811	13,283
All other Living Animals	6,503	5,296
Total, Class V.	63,226	32,328
CLASS VI. — ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.		
Skins—		
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse) ..	234,299	192,256
Rabbit and Hare	1,081,162	584,986
Sheep	575,306	666,012
Other	441,522	448,906
Pearlshell	100,458	103,618
Wool—		
Greasy	5,328,885	2,583,072
Scoured and Washed	2,954,823	1,129,767
Tops	370,962	294,504
All other Animal Substances ..	48,952	43,353
Total, Class VI.	11,136,369	6,046,474
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.		
Bark, Tanning	4,634	1,250
Copra	197,286	110,653
Sandalwood	46,997	70,878
All other Vegetable Substances and Fibres	85,129	105,711
Total, Class VII.	334,046	288,492

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL; (b) TEXTILES; AND (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.	£	£
Boots and Shoes	8,251	6,449
All other Apparel	122,347	125,936
All other Textiles, including Bags, Cordage, Yarns, &c.	153,263	98,242
Total, Class VIII.	283,861	230,627
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.		
Oil—Coconut	7,632	1,519
Tallow—Unrefined	499,105	151,693
All other Oils, Fats and Waxes	56,626	52,875
Total, Class IX.	563,363	206,087
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	14,162	10,437
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.		
Coal	415,073	317,570
Ores and Concentrates—		
Tin	41	..
Wolfram .. ..	..	..
Zinc	390,676	404,404
Other	39,544	140,753
All other Stones and Minerals	23,872	24,136
Total, Class XI.	869,206	886,863
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.		
(a) <i>Machines and Machinery.</i>		
Machines and Machinery	90,862	125,739
(b) <i>Metal and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.</i>		
Copper—Ingots and in Matte	118,725	140,049
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	2,313	3,793
Lead—Pig and in Matte	709,347	599,897
Tin Ingots	54,206	72,739
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c.	122,562	191,389
All other Metals and Manufactures thereof	139,745	171,550
Total, Class XII.	1,237,760	1,305,156

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.		
Indiarubber and Manufactures ..	42,532	60,779
Leather and Manufactures ..	207,055	190,720
Total, Class XIII. ..	249,587	251,499
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.		
Timber	266,389	290,389
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, in- cluding Furniture ..	22,864	22,875
Total, Class XIV. ..	289,253	313,264
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE	20,020	26,318
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.		
Paper	15,070	15,302
Stationery	51,202	67,323
Total, Class XVI. ..	66,272	82,625
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.		
Precious Stones, Unset; Pearls, Cameos, &c. ..	14,550	34,741
All other Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods ..	18,559	16,835
Total, Class XVII. ..	33,109	51,576
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS ..	29,466	42,149

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	Period.	
	September Quarter.	
	1922.	1923.
	£	£
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.		
Fertilizers—		
Ammonium Sulphate	14,230	19,711
Superphosphates .. ..	..	4
Other	3,696	7,774
Oil—Eucalyptus	7,308	13,889
All other Drugs and Chemicals ..	118,037	113,308
Total, Class XIX.	143,271	154,686
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.		
Soap	57,602	52,899
Vessels transferred Abroad .. ..	..	123,900
All other Articles	83,931	110,435
Total, Class XX.	141,533	287,234
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.		
Gold	932,484	419,066
Silver	206,566	264,673
Bronze Specie .. ..	..	..
Total, Class XXI.	1,139,050	683,739
SUMMARY.		
States of Final Shipment—		
New South Wales	8,721,849	6,746,073
Victoria	5,109,032	3,224,968
Queensland	4,606,878	2,185,767
South Australia	1,528,538	2,256,544
Western Australia	1,962,056	1,715,418
Tasmania	150,128	265,990
Northern Territory	537	614
Total { Australian Produce	21,156,467	15,490,803
{ Other Produce	922,551	904,571
GRAND TOTAL, EXPORTS	22,079,018	16,395,374

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE of Australian Origin exported from each State to Various Countries during the first three months of the years 1922-23 and 1923-24.

NOTE.—In this table exports are referred to the State from which they were finally despatched.

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom	2,048	5,357	863	4,276	127	..	12,671	66,057
Canada .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Ceylon .. ..	..	224	..	..	..	..	224	530
China	341	934	24	..	..	..	1,299	543
Egypt .. ..	..	8	..	..	..	..	8	283
France .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	448
French Indo-China .. ..	..	20	..	..	..	..	20	1
Hong Kong	563	62	..	..	..	..	625	484
India .. ..	..	1	4	..	..	..	5	6
Japan	16	20	20	..	..	..	56	421
Malaya, British	11	536	8	15	2	..	572	1,022
Netherlands East Indies	673	6,578	218	4	..	..	7,473	6,835
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	7	7	..	..	..	..	14	120
New Caledonia	48	..	..	..	..	..	48	156
Territory of New Guinea	63	..	37	..	..	..	100	84
Other Islands	77	2	9	..	..	..	88	140
Papua	38	..	84	..	..	..	122	120
Philippine Islands .. ..	..	36	136	..	..	..	172	78
South African Union .. ..	..	234	..	584	..	..	818	19
Other Countries	9	397	67	..	..	..	473	242
Total, three months—								
1923-24	3,894	14,416	1,470	4,879	129	..	24,788	..
1922-23	10,176	42,153	15,287	9,974	..	..	..	77,590

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	14,822	41,159	4,820	30,193	949	..	91,943	528,599
Canada .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Ceylon .. ..	..	1,667	..	..	..	..	1,667	4,497
China	3,094	8,707	254	..	..	..	12,055	5,413
Egypt .. ..	..	79	..	..	..	..	79	2,396
France .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,850
French Indo-China .. ..	..	167	..	..	..	..	167	8
Hong Kong	4,590	518	2	..	..	..	5,110	4,580
India .. ..	..	8	47	..	..	..	55	48
Japan	159	189	187	..	..	..	535	3,946
Malaya, British	102	4,998	98	165	21	..	5,354	9,695
Netherlands East Indies	6,067	58,741	2,146	45	..	..	66,999	66,676
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	76	67	..	..	..	..	143	1,231
New Caledonia	514	..	..	..	..	..	514	1,565
Territory of New Guinea	661	..	427	..	..	..	1,088	918
Other Islands	836	23	107	..	..	..	966	1,431
Papua	383	..	901	..	..	..	1,284	1,263
Philippine Islands .. ..	..	270	1,599	..	..	..	1,869	955
South African Union .. ..	..	1,801	..	4,457	..	..	6,258	210
Other Countries	113	4,155	740	..	..	..	5,008	2,635
Total, three months—								
1923-24	31,417	122,549	11,298	34,860	970	..	201,094	..
1922-23	88,378	338,036	132,066	81,495	..	..	..	639,975

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia—Three Months	
							1923-24.	1922-23
United Kingdom ..	Cental. 103,663	Cental. 259,793	Cental. ..	Cental. 81,769	Cental. 107,075	Cental. ..	Cental. 552,300	Cental. 220,969
Africa, Portuguese East ..	..	21,748	..	..	..	..	21,748	11,107
Ceylon ..	4,729	27,608	..	1,835	..	..	34,172	60,690
China ..	41,665	69,682	..	..	..	..	111,347	918
Egypt ..	352,169	267,369	..	77,143	258,609	..	955,290	557,716
French Indo-China ..	5,815	8,070	..	..	..	..	13,885	7,404
Hong Kong ..	11,785	31,926	..	..	..	..	43,711	2,100
India ..	..	..	..	..	800	..	800	9,019
Italy ..	..	40,282	..	..	..	..	40,282	..
Japan ..	264,653	182	..	4,480	..	..	269,315	4,005
Malaya, British ..	46,503	19,281	..	7,932	25,197	..	98,913	135,278
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	4,480	..	4,480	22,412
Mauritius ..	..	71,678	..	..	..	..	71,678	63,454
Netherlands ..	3,000	1,502	..	..	5,600	..	10,102	1,800
Netherlands East Indies ..	72,290	85,221	..	16,814	20,021	..	194,346	283,257
New Zealand ..	1,022	800	..	..	..	..	1,822	398
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fiji ..	14,434	2	..	..	..	..	14,436	16,260
New Caledonia ..	20,331	..	..	..	..	..	20,331	19,420
New Hebrides ..	2,531	..	..	..	..	..	2,531	1,545
Society Islands ..	1,571	81	..	..	..	..	1,652	920
Territory of New Guinea ..	1,343	..	2	..	..	..	1,345	1,548
Tonga ..	7,241	400	..	..	..	..	7,641	2,849
Other Islands ..	4,302	302	..	..	..	..	5,104	5,503
Papua ..	3,344	..	25	..	..	..	3,369	2,371
Philippine Islands ..	54,100	8,366	..	..	20	..	62,486	50,162
South African Union ..	597	119,536	..	53,433	760	..	174,326	139,274
Other Countries ..	4,361	8,617	..	2,746	..	..	15,724	20,578
Total, 3 months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1923-24 ..	1,021,949	1,042,446	27	246,152	422,562	..	2,733,136	..
1922-23 ..	445,440	722,582	73	177,783	295,579	..	..	1,641,457

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia—Three Months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
United Kingdom ..	£ 49,105	£ 130,763	£ ..	£ 39,888	£ 57,318	£ ..	£ 277,074	£ 129,436
Africa, Portuguese East ..	..	11,694	..	..	..	..	11,694	6,797
Ceylon ..	11,880	14,302	..	897	..	..	17,079	34,507
China ..	25,259	35,763	..	..	..	..	61,022	575
Egypt ..	176,961	130,000	..	36,251	130,811	..	474,023	318,279
French Indo-China ..	3,314	4,150	..	..	..	..	7,464	5,131
Hong Kong ..	6,437	16,898	..	..	..	..	23,335	1,179
India ..	..	..	..	..	395	..	395	5,561
Italy ..	..	16,135	..	..	..	..	16,135	..
Japan ..	139,582	103	..	2,450	..	..	142,135	2,358
Malaya, British ..	27,313	10,533	..	4,267	14,680	..	56,793	86,664
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	2,240	..	2,240	13,507
Mauritius ..	..	34,121	..	..	..	..	34,121	36,992
Netherlands ..	1,610	676	..	..	2,912	..	5,098	979
Netherlands East Indies ..	41,977	47,065	..	9,206	12,398	..	110,646	175,326
New Zealand ..	516	423	..	..	..	..	939	246
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fiji ..	7,729	2	..	..	..	..	7,731	9,496
New Caledonia ..	10,930	..	..	..	..	..	10,930	11,548
New Hebrides ..	1,273	..	..	..	..	..	1,273	926
Society Islands ..	824	37	..	..	..	..	861	563
Territory of New Guinea ..	786	..	1	..	..	..	787	1,062
Tonga ..	3,869	210	..	..	..	..	4,079	1,672
Other Islands ..	2,559	176	..	..	..	..	2,735	3,493
Papua ..	1,898	..	21	..	..	..	1,919	1,840
Philippine Islands ..	28,005	4,342	..	..	12	..	32,359	31,439
South African Union ..	351	63,505	..	29,265	435	..	93,556	80,718
Other Countries ..	2,606	4,460	..	1,428	..	..	8,494	12,624
Total, 3 months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1923-24 ..	534,684	525,358	22	123,652	221,201	..	1,404,917	..
1922-23 ..	276,111	419,537	57	102,017	175,196	..	..	972,918

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	..	22,344	..	318,154	312,875	..	653,373	641,508
Canary Islands (for Orders) ..	..	173,339	..	330,258	..	..	503,597	641,334
Cape Verde Islands (for Orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	502,909
Ceylon ..	..	166	..	..	..	..	166	97
China ..	157,633	..	..	..	..	..	157,633	..
Egypt ..	319,579	467,474	..	..	..	..	*787,053	†178,268
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Italy ..	13,559	150,970	..	380,127	98,697	..	643,353	138,264
Japan ..	191,207	475,451	..	421,362	..	..	1,088,020	2,240
Peru ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48,364
Port Said (for Orders) ..	..	..	..	159,209	..	..	159,209	..
St. Vincent Island (for Orders) ..	..	152,566	..	..	..	..	152,566	252,332
South African Union ..	..	61,861	..	277,923	12,335	..	352,119	..
Sweden ..	44,852	..	..	..	..	..	44,852	..
Other Countries ..	474	37	12	..	27	..	550	462
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	727,304	1,504,208	12	1,887,033	423,934	..	4,542,491	..
1922-23 ..	1,279,716	892,278	4	233,781	..	..	..	2,405,779

* Includes 751,219 centals for orders.

† For orders.

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	..	8,682	..	127,428	122,364	..	258,474	292,872
Canary Islands (for Orders) ..	..	70,186	..	134,541	..	..	204,727	294,564
Cape Verde Islands (for Orders) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	233,154
Ceylon ..	..	76	..	..	..	..	76	49
China ..	59,030	..	..	..	..	..	59,030	..
Egypt ..	132,400	192,667	..	..	..	..	*325,067	†80,389
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Italy ..	5,650	64,842	..	152,075	40,006	..	262,573	64,022
Japan ..	71,931	198,380	..	168,611	..	..	438,922	964
Peru ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	28,695
Port Said (for Orders) ..	..	..	..	60,441	..	..	60,441	..
St. Vincent Island (for Orders) ..	..	66,914	..	..	..	..	66,914	122,377
South African Union ..	..	27,678	..	113,306	4,711	..	145,695	..
Sweden ..	18,844	..	..	..	..	..	18,844	..
Other Countries ..	259	17	7	..	13	..	296	278
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	288,114	629,442	7	756,402	167,094	..	1,841,059	..
1922-23 ..	590,318	417,767	4	109,276	..	..	..	1,117,365

* Includes £309,148 for orders.

† For orders.

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	43,713	11,478	41,872	1,138	26,337	..	124,538	519,596
Belgium ..	11,593	3,134	14,758	197	744	..	30,426	64,207
Canada ..	47	961	..	..	..	..	1,008	1,058
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
France ..	58,869	9,791	16,422	1,908	3,020	..	90,010	195,546
Germany ..	3,548	77	13,455	..	175	..	17,255	39,530
India ..	270	616	..	..	..	..	886	574
Italy ..	1,998	1,127	5,003	..	144	..	8,272	42,418
Japan ..	31,740	3,251	4,482	..	..	..	39,473	51,939
Netherlands ..	4,168	..	8,459	..	46	..	12,673	..
Norway ..	44	4	..	..	..	..	48	..
Philippine Islands..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	73
Sweden ..	182	..	248	..	..	..	430	127
United States ..	598	92	..	332	..	..	1,022	14,721
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	156,770	30,531	104,699	3,575	30,466	..	326,041	..
1922-23 ..	264,524	225,901	377,836	13,615	47,264	659	..	929,799

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-mania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	294,484	50,738	277,789	9,107	150,916	..	783,034	2,825,587
Belgium ..	88,326	31,374	132,626	1,516	3,974	..	257,816	270,624
Canada ..	424	6,106	..	..	..	..	6,530	4,315
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
France ..	506,586	52,753	148,774	16,441	22,864	..	747,418	1,134,321
Germany ..	33,374	680	126,259	..	2,241	..	162,554	276,664
India ..	1,500	2,565	..	..	..	..	4,065	1,673
Italy ..	16,428	8,091	46,758	..	1,432	..	72,709	337,691
Japan ..	318,074	40,460	44,589	..	..	..	403,123	366,467
Netherlands ..	44,897	..	84,262	..	1,163	..	130,322	..
Norway ..	274	30	..	..	..	..	304	..
Philippine Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	608
Sweden ..	1,430	..	2,685	..	..	..	4,115	877
United States ..	6,810	402	..	3,250	..	..	10,462	110,041
Total, 3 months								
1923-24 ..	1,312,607	193,199	863,742	30,314	182,590	..	2,582,452	..
1922-23 ..	1,223,355	1,149,201	2,603,930	87,778	262,310	2,311	..	5,328,885

WOOL, SCoured (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	13,394	14,815	17,800	3,089	3,062	..	52,160	286,443
Belgium ..	1,637	58	3,163	7	2	..	4,867	11,285
Canada .. (a) ..	1,871	..	..	..	..	..	1,871	..
China .. (a) ..	..	97	..	..	..	..	97	480
Denmark ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,983
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	606
Germany .. (a) ..	11,584	4,089	3,627	..	220	..	19,520	31,001
Italy ..	989	..	..	..	..	..	989	..
Japan ..	3,225	80	1,735	..	..	..	5,040	12,708
Netherlands .. (a) ..	355	198	..	..	..	..	553	2,052
New Zealand ..	1,853	809	..	..	..	..	2,662	2,002
Norway ..	7,791	2,463	..	..	..	..	10,254	13,234
Philippine Islands .. (a) ..	2,700	120	837	..	267	..	3,924	..
South African Union ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	70
Spain ..	..	138	..	..	..	..	138	313
Sweden ..	..	25	..	..	..	..	93	34
United States ..	222	21	..	..	..	..	243	92
.. .. (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,995
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,623
Total, 3 months								
1923-24 ..	45,689	22,913	27,162	3,096	3,551	..	102,411	..
1922-23 ..	166,566	131,807	50,047	11,444	9,130	..	..	368,994

(a) Tops.

WOOL, SCoured (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	136,172	164,130	236,573	27,922	36,476	..	601,273	2,265,634
Belgium ..	15,525	338	54,172	133	11	..	70,179	88,674
Canada .. (a) ..	39,080	..	..	..	..	..	39,080	..
China .. (a) ..	..	957	..	..	..	..	957	2,814
Denmark ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23,412
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,351
Germany .. (a) ..	180,896	47,210	54,029	..	1,931	..	284,066	318,663
Italy ..	24,718	..	..	..	..	..	24,718	..
Japan ..	46,605	920	28,346	..	..	..	75,871	181,761
Netherlands .. (a) ..	3,692	1,930	..	..	..	..	5,622	28,004
New Zealand ..	19,034	7,326	..	..	..	..	26,360	14,997
Norway ..	177,941	52,765	..	..	..	..	230,706	289,543
Philippine Islands .. (a) ..	41,464	1,802	14,597	..	2,912	..	60,775	..
South African Union ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	275
Spain ..	..	1,691	..	..	..	..	1,691	2,206
Sweden ..	..	276	..	..	..	..	1,026	225
United States ..	750	179	..	..	..	..	1,947	560
.. .. (a) ..	1,768	..	..	..	..	..	..	204
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	237
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	46,973
.. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	58,007
Total, 3 months								
1923-24 ..	687,645	279,524	387,717	28,055	41,330	..	1,424,271	..
1922-23 ..	1,553,604	1,074,634	554,870	74,439	68,238	..	..	3,325,785

(a) Tops.

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	67	1,160	205,281	..	29,614	..	236,122	430,336
Belgium ..	..	..	9,512	..	37,023	..	46,535	..
Ceylon ..	37	..	1,978	..	..	..	2,015	1,071
Egypt ..	..	..	9,097	..	559	..	9,656	16,385
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,332
Germany ..	..	..	6,796	..	..	..	6,796	125,892
Hong Kong ..	..	..	3,958	..	..	..	3,958	2,187
Italy ..	..	..	9,306	..	..	..	9,306	..
Japan ..	..	..	2,880	..	..	..	2,880	482
Malaya, British ..	354	..	4,761	..	..	..	5,115	5,302
Malta ..	..	..	13,581	..	..	..	13,581	4,030
Netherlands ..	..	..	1,642	..	..	..	1,642	4,901
Netherlands East Indies ..	11	239	232	..	902	..	1,384	1,369
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hawaiian Islands ..	251	..	..	..	..	..	251	3,868
Philippine Islands ..	106	..	16,756	..	..	..	16,862	10,364
Other Countries ..	455	..	81	..	..	..	536	2,670
Total, 3 months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1923-24 ..	1,281	1,399	285,861	..	68,098	..	356,639	..
1922-23 ..	20,895	2,657	565,087	1,021	26,529	..	..	616,189

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	154	1,330	221,647	..	35,600	..	258,731	441,040
Belgium ..	..	..	12,348	..	43,100	..	55,448	..
Ceylon ..	66	..	3,979	..	..	..	4,045	2,042
Egypt ..	..	..	12,449	..	800	..	13,249	19,472
France ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,851
Germany ..	..	..	8,267	..	..	..	8,267	142,484
Hong Kong ..	..	..	4,926	..	..	..	4,926	2,734
Italy ..	..	..	9,675	..	..	..	9,675	..
Japan ..	..	..	4,202	..	..	..	4,202	624
Malaya, British ..	556	..	6,691	..	..	..	7,247	6,936
Malta ..	..	..	23,221	..	..	..	23,221	4,603
Netherlands ..	..	..	1,454	..	..	..	1,454	6,290
Netherlands East Indies ..	72	583	513	..	1,502	..	2,670	1,971
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hawaiian Islands ..	313	..	..	..	..	..	313	5,048
Philippine Islands ..	188	..	19,282	..	..	..	19,470	11,530
Other Countries ..	1,131	..	117	..	..	..	1,248	3,308
Total, 3 months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1923-24 ..	2,480	1,913	328,771	..	81,002	..	414,166	..
1922-23 ..	29,177	3,347	581,260	1,330	41,819	..	..	656,933

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia— Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	1,341	1,232	..	861	..	..	3,434	91,168
Canada ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,016
Ceylon ..	594	..	..	..	..	..	594	659
Egypt ..	659	137	..	..	..	..	796	2,557
Germany ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,575
Hong Kong ..	861	..	221	..	..	..	1,082	1,134
Malaya, British ..	..	..	1,108	..	..	..	1,108	2,534
Philippine Islands ..	439	..	11	..	..	..	450	315
South African Union ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	869
Other Countries ..	524	37	..	..	..	..	561	877
Total, 3 months—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1923-24 ..	4,418	1,406	1,340	861	..	..	8,025	..
1922-23 ..	50,174	27,024	27,430	2,076	..	..	..	106,704

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
United Kingdom ..	£ 4,244	£ 3,442	£ ..	£ 2,511	£ ..	£ ..	£ 10,197	£ 201,845
Canada ..	1,635	..	..	..	..	..	1,635	1,694
Ceylon ..	1,487	342	..	..	..	..	1,829	1,544
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,158
Germany ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12,566
Hong Kong ..	2,758	..	461	..	..	..	3,219	2,926
Malaya, British ..	..	..	2,769	..	..	..	2,769	5,734
Philippine Islands ..	1,272	..	21	..	..	..	1,293	799
South African Union ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,267
Other Countries ..	1,574	96	..	..	..	..	1,670	1,755
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	12,970	3,880	3,251	2,511	..	..	22,612	..
1922-23 ..	112,109	70,420	45,704	6,055	..	..	..	234,288

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
United Kingdom ..	Cental. 77	Cental. 396	Cental. 4,866	Cental. ..	Cental. ..	Cental. ..	Cental. 5,339	Cental. 27,842
Ceylon ..	103	35	..	..	1	..	139	22
China ..	..	6	..	..	..	..	6	..
Egypt ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	1
Hong Kong ..	60	..	..	..	..	..	60	47
India ..	48	27	..	..	..	..	75	821
Malaya, British ..	68	21	23	..	..	..	112	58
Netherlands East Indies ..	596	147	111	..	..	..	854	496
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	241	..	..	..	..	..	241	15
Gilbert and Ellice Islands								
Colony ..	169	15	..	..	..	..	184	634
Hawaiian Islands ..	61	..	..	..	..	..	61	180
Solomon Islands ..	585	..	86	..	..	..	671	924
Territory of New Guinea	1,247	..	25	..	..	..	1,272	453
Other Islands ..	367	8	..	..	..	..	375	210
Papua ..	636	..	37	..	..	..	673	639
South African Union ..	340	25	..	..	..	..	365	747
Other Countries ..	2,105	1	5	..	..	..	2,111	1,136
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	6,705	681	5,153	..	1	..	12,540	..
1922-23 ..	19,074	2,910	11,035	1,206	..	..	..	34,225

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1923-24.	1922-23.
United Kingdom ..	£ 221	£ 438	£ 14,662	£ ..	£ ..	£ ..	£ 15,321	£ 70,865
Ceylon ..	335	194	..	..	4	..	533	102
China ..	..	25	2	..	..	..	27	3
Egypt ..	8	..	..	..	..	..	8	6
Hong Kong ..	337	..	..	..	..	..	337	142
India ..	153	175	..	..	..	..	328	4,290
Malaya, British ..	673	157	267	..	..	..	1,097	275
Netherlands East Indies ..	2,069	501	455	..	..	..	3,025	1,810
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji ..	748	..	..	..	..	..	748	49
Gilbert and Ellice Islands								
Colony ..	535	36	..	..	..	..	571	1,392
Hawaiian Islands ..	197	..	..	..	..	..	197	636
Solomon Islands ..	1,376	..	161	..	..	..	1,537	2,254
Territory of New Guinea	3,590	..	112	..	..	..	3,702	1,981
Other Islands ..	1,195	30	..	..	..	..	1,225	545
Papua ..	1,898	..	162	..	..	..	2,060	1,932
South African Union ..	1,047	88	..	..	..	..	1,135	2,412
Other Countries ..	6,326	4	25	..	..	..	6,355	2,543
Total, 3 months—								
1923-24 ..	20,708	1,648	15,846	..	4	..	38,206	..
1922-23 ..	46,566	7,942	35,275	1,454	..	..	..	91,237

Section IV.—Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

RECEIPTS 1918-19 TO 1922-23.

Sources of Revenue.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
TAXATION—	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	11,605,410	13,705,220	21,731,210	17,323,310	22,597,306
Excise	5,821,560	7,869,339	10,078,696	10,302,049	10,274,823
Land Tax	2,109,171	2,110,306	2,155,699	2,284,040	2,018,876
Probate and Succession Duties	923,908	1,441,819	1,179,513	991,378	1,172,935
Income Tax	10,376,456	12,848,123	14,351,408	16,790,682	12,904,518
Entertainment Tax	358,126	557,911	649,828	675,675	629,802
War Time Profits Tax	1,206,538	2,569,012	2,083,139	1,306,708	286,757
War Postage	463,317	745,962	197,928	..	..
Total Taxation	32,864,486	41,847,692	52,427,421	49,678,842	49,885,017
Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones	6,110,522	6,744,755	8,388,569	9,320,654	9,792,273
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	23,623	34,066	40,639	41,393	40,491
Coinage	125,634	76,439	106,373	178,439	137,696
Detained Enemy Vessels	1,671,905	344,411	131,763	..	..
Commonwealth Government Steamers, Surplus Earnings	1,015,762	..	137,959	..	..
Defence, including Balance of Trust Account	447,868	453,731	301,978	353,382	222,308
Quarantine	44,118	62,053	42,972	42,639	41,388
Lighthouse and Light Dues	125,231	153,992	180,105	171,967	173,363
Federal Capital Territory	35,434	26,898	33,102	33,894	..
Northern Territory	62,439	38,880	47,713	43,951	28,188
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway	150,856	238,564	221,387	201,084	215,368
Darwin-Katharine River Railway	45,725	31,783	12,761	14,370	14,768
Sugar	6,547	10,279	15,003	183,737	168,709
Interest on Loans, Advances, etc.	1,479,050	1,583,640	1,992,082	} 4,632,694	4,001,066
Miscellaneous	507,718	1,140,919	1,437,781		
Total	44,716,918	52,783,102	65,517,608	64,897,046	64,720,635
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	6 9 4	7 17 9	9 13 9	9 0 4	8 17 1
Total Revenue	8 16 0	9 18 11	12 2 2	11 15 7	11 9 9

DISBURSEMENTS 1918-19 TO 1922-23.

Departments, etc.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
GOVERNOR-GENERAL—	£	£	£	£	£
Salary	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Governor-General's Establishment, etc.	4,390	9,252	13,450	11,708	11,047
Governor-General's Office*	9,485	7,963	7,257	6,189	6,998
Total	23,875	27,215	30,707	27,897	28,045
PARLIAMENT—					
Salaries of Ministers	15,300	15,231	15,368	15,300	14,598
Allowance to Senators	20,760	22,376	34,710	34,916	} 100,065
Allowances to Members of House of Representatives	42,261	40,993	69,133	69,395	
Officers, Staff, Contingencies, etc.	37,584	43,407	62,728	63,253	58,256
Repairs, Maintenance, Insurance	1,910	2,006	2,028	2,871	2,142
Printing	26,863	21,347	23,810	24,912	23,108
Travelling Expenses of Members and Others	8,913	9,379	11,996	12,262	29,300
Electoral Office	53,159	60,677	70,200	72,816	} 213,217
Election Expenses	2,459	89,752	3,037	5,201	
Referenda .. .. .	..	8,358	..	..	..
Administration of Electoral Act	31,460	33,859	28,477	42,548	} 5,778
Miscellaneous	5,044	1,030	1,872	2,718	
Total	245,713	348,415	323,359	346,192	446,464

* Includes expenditure on cablegrams, etc., transmitted by the Governor-General on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued.*

Departments, etc.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
PRIME MINISTER—	£	£	£	£	£
Salaries, Contingencies, etc.	33,328	29,126	32,876	38,191	38,896
High Commissioner's Office	57,106	66,037	75,764	69,417	59,024
Australian Commissioner in U.S.A. ..	4,992	15,727	12,215	9,852	6,466
Public Service Commissioner's Office ..	23,129	26,757	30,546	34,959	33,745
Audit Office	25,586	27,743	32,212	34,689	35,754
Executive Council	177	210	250	165	..
Shipping and Mails to Pacific Islands ..	28,800	21,600	43,501	49,167	46,805
Immigration .. ..	..	..	..	72,175	69,560
Interest on Loans	39,253	47,943	39,562	204,316	439,054
Payments to Sinking Fund	2,473	2,474	473	550	31,013
Miscellaneous	30,209	94,120	193,931	220,547	148,210
Total	245,053	331,737	461,330	733,528	908,527
HOME AND TERRITORIES—					
Chief Office	16,156	18,528	21,756	21,594	21,141
Lands and Surveys	15,985	17,280	22,236	22,226	15,034
Census and Statistics	16,248	16,795	17,713	18,936	20,438
Meteorological Bureau	28,209	29,706	84,922	88,932	80,911
Papua	51,260	51,492	62,656	179,245	80,894
Federal Capital Territory	24,142	25,483	27,242	32,741	..
Rents, Repairs, Supervision, etc. ..	14,905	13,214	16,380	15,975	23,154
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	678	2,004	5,496	2,941	2,517
Interest on Loans	23,909	24,132	20,526	20,112	29,347
Payments to Sinking Fund	1,996	1,996	1,940	1,863	3,000
Miscellaneous*	11,947	11,338	174,332	82,352	53,710
Total	205,385	211,968	455,199	486,917	330,146
NORTHERN TERRITORY AND PORT AUGUSTA—					
OODNADATTA RAILWAY—					
Northern Territory Administration ..	72,761	76,379	79,402	71,494	70,064
Lands and Surveys	8,608	8,181	..	14,468	7,348
Darwin—Katharine River Railway (Working Expenses)	16,611	15,918	23,292	..	..
Interest	52,815	50,647	27,601	24,440	30,773
Payments to Sinking Fund	155,265	123,482	148,879	99,429	102,749
Miscellaneous	6,295	8,245	6,436	6,195	6,869
PORT AUGUSTA—OODNADATTA RAILWAY—	4,722	11,632	8,181	17,204	8,856
Loss on Working	25,792	46,187	30,861	53,131	70,266
Interest on Loans	81,350	59,386	99,297	78,187	77,836
Sinking Funds	4,398	6,093	5,921	5,910	5,839
Interest on S. Aust. Rolling Stock ..	5,720	5,720	5,720	6,435	6,793
Miscellaneous	554	900	894	849	813
Total	434,891	412,770	436,484	377,742	387,706
WORKS AND RAILWAYS—					
Administrative Staff	22,949	28,140	31,106	33,724	32,276
Public Works Staff and Supervision of Works	3,484	9,357	11,358	10,706	6,782
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway (Working Expenses)	237,204	264,798	292,167	255,776	249,289
Commonwealth Railways, Miscellaneous	7,665	2,766	1,987	23,612	1,452
Rent, Repairs, etc.	1,875	3,286	4,671	4,637	5,526
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	403	403	374	374	..
Interest on Loans	226,083	232,947	162,131	89,401	121,161
Payments to Sinking Funds	11,957	11,957	11,677	11,677	14,606
Main Roads Development .. ..	..	..	..	..	500,000
Miscellaneous (General)	15,842	5,852	12,627	10,468	4,394
Total	527,462	559,506	528,098	440,375	935,486
ATTORNEY-GENERAL—					
Secretary's Office	12,043	16,204	20,976	18,358	20,010
Crown Solicitor's Office	12,943	16,042	17,879	18,248	18,829
Salaries of Justices of High Court ..	21,500	21,216	21,556	21,500	21,500
High Court Expenses	8,837	11,922	12,925	12,276	13,957
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration	6,242	7,650	10,998	4,949	7,132
Rent, Repairs, etc.	4,889	4,733	5,889	8,200	12,797
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	23,875	32,320	43,179	43,602	43,973
Miscellaneous	4,940	2,632	4,462	20,912	24,599
Total	95,219	112,719	137,864	148,045	162,797

* Includes cost of Census, £149,150 in 1920-21, £62,283 in 1921-22, and £22,331 in 1922-23.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—continued.

Departments, etc.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23
TREASURY—	£	£	£	£	£
Treasury	32,072	48,393	61,139	56,084	50,698
Old-age Pensions—Salaries, etc. ..	61,406	73,509	85,016	88,687	84,535
Maternity Allowance Office	11,209	12,707	15,902	15,143	15,765
Rent, Repairs, etc.	18,732	25,676	28,990	33,064	29,426
Coinage	18,411	18,956	33,981	50,785	31,979
Invalid and Old-age Pensions ..	3,934,991	4,619,554	5,150,241	5,290,056	5,424,016
Taxation Office	311,330	375,711	513,422	594,123	776,424*
Maternity Allowance	620,298	626,175	701,020	690,700	688,435
Interest on Loans .. .. .	..	..	41,223	..	..
Miscellaneous	93,372	28,822	34,017	165,635	79,508
Total	5,101,821	5,829,503	6,664,051	6,984,277	7,180,786
TRADE AND CUSTOMS—					
Chief Office	29,403	37,362	43,862	68,677	70,037
Customs and Excise (General) ..	317,523	360,199	419,981	458,536	439,462
Administration of Commerce Act ..	28,957	36,495	36,814	19,030	26,107
Commercial and Industrial Bureau of the Board of Trade	1,972	3,773	5,160	5,000	4,659
Institute of Science and Industry ..	13,131	13,109	16,042	17,201	22,591
Commonwealth Laboratory	4,804	5,638	5,663	5,794	5,829
Inter-State Commission	12,007	10,545	3,650	..	..
Lighthouses	137,364	147,350	168,314	160,518	162,946
Navigation	211	1,479	8,100	18,188	25,427
Bounties	30,460	16,292	24,406	29,793	192,114
Pensions, etc.	17,213	17,186	16,803	16,946	18,736
Rents, Repairs, Supervision, etc. ..	10,508	13,821	15,124	17,485	21,445
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	36,286	70,130	64,089	42,497	47,162
Interest on Loans	2,072	2,949	3,170	1,741	4,943
Loans for purchase Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	250,000
Fruit Pools—Losses and Advances ..	..	..	..	..	863,000
Miscellaneous	6,534	8,427	15,867	27,715	89,351
Total	648,445	744,755	847,045	889,121	2,243,809
MILITARY—					
Chief Office	48,184	59,133	65,688	74,036	22,554
Military Services (including Air Services) ..	1,151,995	914,089	1,337,919	1,386,042	1,211,708
Audit (proportion)	8,407	14,269	12,211	12,211	10,780
Rent, Repairs, Supervision, etc. ..	85,412	76,002	90,391	99,318	61,114
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	92,289	88,925	82,560	84,803	87,040
Interest on Loans	5,917	12,025	23,434	9,865	45,702
Compensation to Officers on Retirement ..	..	..	..	300,000	40,000
Miscellaneous	655	422	1,672	4,648	2,856
Total	1,392,859	1,163,792	1,615,933	1,970,923	1,481,754
NAVY—					
Chief Office	39,689	50,170	62,922	76,348	67,359
Naval	1,466,095	1,512,130	2,366,128	2,198,288	1,942,227
Rent, Repairs, Supervision, etc. ..	27,319	33,222	47,154	33,304	40,398
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	44,410	41,545	39,765	8,783	10,072
Interest on Loans	29,050	38,500	30,057	8,911	39,054
Miscellaneous (including Audit) ..	3,010	3,735	3,781	4,378	25,381
Total	1,609,573	1,679,302	2,549,807	2,329,992	2,124,491
AIR SERVICES—					
Air Forces .. .. .	..	..	..	137,527	120,861
Civil Aviation .. .. .	..	..	..	14,529	48,342
Miscellaneous .. .. .	..	..	..	3,226	10,134
Total .. .. .	..	..	..	155,282	179,337
POSTMASTER-GENERAL—					
Chief Office	23,189	25,842	30,949	33,954	37,800
Posts, Telegraphs, and Telephones ..	5,056,225	5,730,363	6,844,979	7,722,459	7,604,904
Pensions and Retiring Allowances ..	64,720	67,842	75,057	81,171	84,057
Rent, Repairs, Supervision, etc. ..	69,479	71,181	93,890	119,649	147,721
Interest on Transferred Properties ..	210,908	214,815	186,070	186,433	193,103
Interest on Loans	46,420	52,832	49,561	19,516	132,786
Payment to Sinking Fund	16,271	16,271	16,193	16,193	23,218
Miscellaneous	3,312	6,799	8,544	9,310	18,436
Total	5,490,524	6,185,945	7,305,243	8,188,685	8,242,025
HEALTH	173,460	125,063	133,118	172,227	155,912
Total Expenditure as above	16,194,280	17,732,690	21,488,238	23,251,203	24,807,285
New Works—Expenditure from Revenue ..	405,656	335,154	2,098,203	2,571,794	720,927
War Expenditure from Revenue	21,255,101	24,751,732	33,286,233	31,337,164	30,100,472
Total Expenditure from Revenue	37,855,037	42,819,576	56,872,674	57,160,161	55,628,684
Contribution to States	6,454,333	6,720,492	6,840,162	7,035,535	7,185,551
Interest States' Loans Act	810,311	911,250	911,250	911,250	886,250
Grant to Wheat Board .. .. .	..	130,036	..	..	..
GRAND TOTAL	45,119,681	50,581,354	64,624,087	65,106,946	63,700,485

* Includes Taxation Officers' compensation, £200,000.

**SUMMARY OF COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE
AND FROM LOAN FUNDS, 1918-19 to 1922-23.**

Heading.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE—					
Ordinary Services—					
Interest on Transferred Properties	392,639	425,487	366,734	23,251,203	24,807,285
Interest on Loans	609,535	594,514	618,377		
Sinking Funds	43,390	47,035	42,640		
Other Ordinary Expenditure ..	15,148,716	16,665,654	20,460,487		
New Works, etc.	405,656	335,154	2,098,203	2,571,794	720,927
	16,599,936	18,067,844	23,586,441	25,822,997	25,528,212
War Services—					
Interest on Amount due to Imperial Government on Maintenance of Australian Troops	3,430,000*	1,816,000	19,613,888	21,075,693	20,985,547
Interest on Loans	10,087,461	12,645,900			
Sinking Fund	1,200,713	1,313,038			
Pensions	4,827,368	6,032,270	7,389,739	7,028,379	7,134,967
Repatriation	1,300,000	2,500,000	3,563,360	2,092,326	1,692,171
Other Services	409,559	444,524	2,719,246	1,140,766	287,787
	21,255,101	24,751,732	33,286,233	31,337,164	30,100,472
Total Expenditure from Revenue ..	37,855,037	42,819,576	56,872,674	57,160,161	55,628,684
EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS—					
Ordinary Purposes—					
New Works, etc.	1,090,483	1,286,786	3,877,912	5,246,503	5,383,949
War Purposes	62,192,889	45,383,587	24,148,501	7,576,977	1,762,694
Total Expenditure from Loans ..	63,283,372	46,672,373	28,026,413	12,823,480	7,146,643
Total Expenditure for Ordinary Services and Purposes	17,690,419	19,354,630	27,464,353	31,069,500	30,912,161
Total Expenditure for War Purposes	83,447,990	70,137,319	57,434,734	38,914,141	31,863,166
Total Commonwealth Expenditure ..	101,138,409	89,491,949	84,899,087	69,983,641	62,775,327
In addition to the above the following Payments were made :—					
FROM REVENUE—					
Payment to States (Surplus Revenue Act)	6,364,333	6,630,492	6,750,163	6,950,535	7,100,551
Special Payment to Tasmania ..	90,000	90,000	90,000	85,000	85,000
Interest, State Loans	810,312	911,250	911,250	911,250	886,250
FROM LOANS—					
Loans to States	3,042,767	..	..	..	..

* Interest for two years from 1st July, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH LOAN EXPENDITURE 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Heading.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£
Government House, Sydney ..	..	..	15,000	..	..
Prime Minister's Department—					
Subscription to Capital of Refinery Company, Oil Agreement Act 1920 ..	..	..	25,000	75,000	50,000
London Offices ..	40,120	58,012	55,728	18,651	6,921
Immigration—Passage Money of Assisted Immigrants ..	..	..	..	133,848	199,483
Shipbuilding Yards ..	..	..	..	44,210	7,218
Construction of Ships ..	..	..	..	..	1,815,713
Construction of Roads ..	..	..	..	..	217,944
Department of Home and Territories—					
Federal Capital—Initial Settlement and Works ..	..	..	..	68,798	78,438
Federal Capital—Acquisition of Land ..	1,395	11,968	1,816	8,861	1,475
Federal Capital—Towards establishment ..	..	..	81,417	70,766	274,128
Queanbeyan Railway Line ..	1,160	Cr. 52	..	..	..
Acquisition of Land at Fairy Meadow ..	818	2,825	711	2,673	1,992
Papua—Loan ..	..	..	20,000	15,700	47,720
Department of Defence, Military—					
Purchase of Land for Defence purposes generally ..	27,458	6,157	..	5,123	1,733
Arsenal, Factories, Stores ..	76,099	374,649	196,239	181,095	27,525
Navy—					
Construction of Fleet, ..	..	..	2,999,630	3,369,118	..
Dock Yard, Naval Bases, etc. ..	557,709	296,098	290,396	159,769	43,566
Department of Trade and Customs—					
Purchase of Sites for Lighthouses ..	8,379	2,028	..	..	8,225
Purchase of Sites for Quarantine ..	7,838	72	1,031	..	..
Lighthouses ..	16,115	26,795	29,746	14,556	2,175
Air Services ..	..	..	..	..	17,705
Department of Works and Railways—					
Commonwealth Offices ..	..	..	..	24,961	1,243
Railway—Kalgoorlie—Port Augusta ..	156,187	138,165	76,009	69,072	82,500
Contribution under River Murray Waters Act ..	55,760	39,241	56,722	112,372	176,921
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Post Office Buildings ..	..	..	..	45,085	144,341
Land for Post and Telegraph purposes ..	1,621	Cr. 883	920	7,706	138,875
Perth General Post Office ..	18,291	23,073	21,644	45,000	..
Telegraphs and Telephones ..	116,760	305,538	Cr. 9	750,000	2,005,421
Northern Territory and Port Augusta—					
Oodnadatta Railway—					
Railway—Pine Creek to Katharine River ..	Cr. 1,365	..	..	4,746	..
Railway—Darwin to Katharine River ..	138	2,500	1,654	1,690	7,651
Railway—Port Augusta to Oodnadatta ..	..	..	4,258	8,946	12,997
Redemption of Loans raised by Government of South Australia—					
Health and Laboratories ..	..	..	..	8,757	12,039
Total Ordinary Loans Expenditure ..	1,090,483	1,286,786	3,877,912	5,246,503	5,383,949
Total War Loans Expenditure ..	62,192,889	45,385,587	24,148,501	7,576,977	1,762,694
Loans to States—					
Victoria ..	Cr. 5	..	..	..	..
Queensland ..	1,106,360	..	..	..	..
South Australia ..	1,229,856	..	..	..	..
Western Australia ..	565,537	..	..	..	..
Tasmania ..	141,019	..	..	..	..
	3,042,767	..	..	..	..
Total Payments from Loan Funds ..	66,326,139	46,672,373	28,026,413	12,823,480	7,146,643

LOANS AND ADVANCES BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES AT 30th June, 1923.

State.	Particulars.	Amount.
		£
New South Wales ..	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	9,806,601
	Advances for construction of silos	1,000,000
		10,806,601
Victoria	Under Loans to States Acts	1,954,000
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	11,799,840
	Advances to provide employment	92,000
	Advances for immigration	75,000
		13,920,840
Queensland ..	Under Loans to States Acts	5,462,500
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,762,653
	Advances to provide employment	400,000
	Advances for Forestry	71,132
		8,696,285
South Australia ..	Under Loans to States Acts	4,116,000
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,833,380
	Advances to provide employment	28,796
		6,978,176
Western Australia ..	Under Loans to States Acts	4,150,500
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	4,831,722
	Advances for immigration	250,000
		9,232,222
Tasmania ..	Under Loans to States Acts	1,067,000
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,110,973
		3,177,973
	Total	52,812,097

NOTE.—In addition to the amounts shewn above, further sums are on loan to the various States from the Australian Notes Fund, which is now controlled by the Commonwealth Bank. On the 30th June, 1923, these amounts were:—New South Wales, £7,400,000; Victoria, £4,728,000; Queensland, £1,490,000; South Australia, £2,926,000; Western Australia, £4,025,000; Tasmania, £1,619,000.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, 30th June, 1923.

Items.	Amount.
	£
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock (3½ per cent.)	3,764,716
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Bonds (War Loan)	241,746,090
Commonwealth Registered Stock (6 per cent.)	20,000,000
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Debentures (Loan raised for States), 5½ per cent.	12,750,000
Commonwealth Treasury Bills (4 per cent.)	6,843,125
Commonwealth War Savings Certificates and Stamps	1,049,399
Debt to British Government	90,388,604
War Gratuity Bonds	19,508,481
South Australian Debt transferred—	
On account Northern Territory	2,209,169
„ Port Augusta—Oodnadatta Railway	1,693,745
Total	399,953,329
Value of properties transferred from States	11,042,988
Total	410,996,317

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND THE PUBLIC, 1918 to 1923.

Average during—					Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.
					£	£	£
1918	..	..	..	..	35,022,516	18,524,293	53,546,809
1919	..	..	..	..	35,316,039	20,253,726	55,569,765
1920	..	..	..	..	33,569,791	22,584,903	56,154,694
1921	..	..	..	..	33,657,493	24,171,307	57,828,800
1922	..	..	..	..	30,463,488	22,832,414	53,295,902
1923	January	..	..	..	29,817,075	22,632,547	52,449,622
	February	..	..	..	29,860,663	22,479,534	52,340,197
	March	..	..	..	28,853,341	23,431,645	52,284,986
	April	..	..	..	29,020,762	23,252,163	52,272,925
	May	..	..	..	29,682,878	22,432,732	52,115,610
	June	..	..	..	28,901,751	23,200,490	52,102,241
	July ..	..	..	..	30,292,170	21,700,817	51,992,987
	August	..	..	..	29,812,589	22,168,924	51,981,513
	September	..	..	..	29,495,873	22,521,246	52,017,119

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AS AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.					31st Dec., 1919.	27th Dec., 1920.	26th Dec., 1921.	25th Dec., 1922.	24th Sept., 1923.
					£	£	£	£	£
10/	..	..	..	..	2,349,920	2,543,134	2,562,439	2,670,704	2,509,773
£1	..	..	..	..	14,873,984	16,272,082	16,065,948	16,345,387	14,858,826
£5	..	..	..	..	8,730,030	10,474,695	10,807,645	10,845,620	9,621,380
£10	..	..	..	..	4,044,210	4,687,650	4,316,120	4,164,190	3,858,040
£20	..	..	..	..	683,380	692,140	605,920	528,280	497,100
£50	..	..	..	..	1,478,650	1,656,800	1,517,400	1,354,550	1,303,100
£100	..	..	..	..	1,450,900	1,786,900	1,624,100	1,908,700	1,827,900
£1,000	..	..	..	..	22,992,000	19,538,000	18,049,000	13,954,000	17,541,000
Total	..	..	..	..	56,603,074	57,651,401	55,548,572	51,771,431	52,017,119
Gold Reserve	..	..	..	..	23,911,537	23,168,457	23,740,442	23,725,000	24,780,209
Per cent. of Reserve	..	..	..	..	42·24	40·19	42·74	45·83	47·64

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1923.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth commenced to pay Old-age Pensions on 1.7.1909, and Invalid Pensions on 15.12.1910.

State.	Number of Pensioners as at 30.6.23.			Number per 10,000 of Population.*		Average Fortnightly Pension as at 30.6.23.		Aggregate Annual Rate of Payment (approximate).	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per head of Pop.
New South Wales	41,220	16,352	57,572	189	75	s. d. 28 4	s. d. 29 4	£ 2,144,376	s. d. 19 9
Victoria	31,248	11,707	42,955	197	74	28 10	29 2	1,614,912	20 4
Queensland	13,812	5,359	19,171	175	68	28 8	29 2	717,860	18 3
South Australia	10,166	2,593	12,759	198	51	28 4	28 11	471,432	18 4
Western Australia	5,599	2,063	7,662	163	60	28 5	29 2	285,116	16 7
Tasmania	5,344	1,990	7,334	244	91	28 2	28 10	270,192	24 8
Total	107,389	40,064	147,453	191	71	28 7	29 2	5,503,888	19 6

* Population taken as at 31st December, 1922.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1923.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.					
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependants of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependants of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.	All Pensioners.			
New South Wales ..	24,951	33,993	12,623	71,567	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
Victoria ..	24,686	39,069	14,327	78,082	1 16 7	0 18 11	1 5 1			
Queensland ..	8,314	11,642	4,001	23,957	1 10 11	0 15 8	1 0 6			
South Australia ..	4,089	6,296	3,956	14,341	1 12 0	0 19 9	1 4 0			
Western Australia ..	7,721	12,212	3,945	23,878	1 14 5	1 0 0	1 4 2			
Tasmania ..	3,089	5,106	1,891	10,086	1 14 7	0 16 9	1 2 6			
London ..	1,512	3,203	4,575	9,290	1 13 2	0 17 4	1 2 2			
South Africa ..	55	61	51	167	1 16 2	1 3 0	1 5 2			
New Zealand ..	250	230	259	739	1 12 7	1 4 4	1 6 4			
Other ..	25	16	7	48	1 9 8	1 3 1	1 5 4			
Total ..	74,692	111,828	45,635	232,155	1 7 2	1 1 3	1 4 4			
					1 13 8	0 17 11	1 3 0			

WAR PENSIONS EXPENDITURE, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Place of Payment.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	1,586,981	1,826,111	2,331,633	2,294,258	2,418,636
Victoria ..	1,431,849	1,861,377	2,317,746	2,153,780	2,174,189
Queensland ..	505,223	664,093	814,359	775,998	784,744
South Australia ..	410,880	444,882	513,601	444,552	437,848
Western Australia ..	461,164	543,323	750,675	733,956	714,874
Tasmania ..	192,837	259,554	312,909	296,952	294,638
Elsewhere ..	239,138	273,430	348,816	328,883	310,038
Total ..	4,828,072	5,872,770	7,389,739	7,028,379	7,134,967

NOTE.—The liability for War Pensions as at 30th June, 1923, was approximately £6,933,576 per annum.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th June, 1923, the following Claims, each for £5, were passed for payment:—

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tasmania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1919 ..	49,777	31,797	19,137	11,154	6,867	5,214	70	124,016
1920 ..	48,909	32,903	18,898	11,464	7,441	5,498	60	125,173
1921 ..	56,378	36,778	20,674	12,224	8,142	5,915	41	140,152
1922 ..	55,413	36,257	20,403	12,161	8,018	5,843	45	139,140
1923 ..	55,677	36,260	19,949	11,874	8,047	5,836	44	137,687
Total since 10.10.12 ..	558,279	370,427	209,362	126,548	87,028	60,642	451	1,412,737

FINANCE.

FEDERAL INCOME TAX, 1921-22.*

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage of Total Tax Assessed.
		£	£	
Under £201	541,075	1,190,442	2.200	8.2
£201 to £500	140,089	1,329,114	9.488	9.1
£501 to £1,000	49,147	1,533,880	31.210	10.5
£1,001 to £10,000	28,119	6,486,784	230.690	44.5
£10,001 to £100,000	718	3,409,156	4,748.128	23.4
Over £100,000	23	626,495	27,238.913	4.3
TOTAL ALL INCOMES ..	759,171	14,575,871	19.200	100.0

* Assessed on income for year 1920-21.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1916-17 to 1920-21.

	1916-17.	1917-18.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners	14,735	14,948	14,473	15,344	14,061
Absentee Owners	3,544	3,560	3,451	3,655	3,285
TOTAL	18,279	18,508	17,924	18,999	17,346
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident	185,193,437	184,453,284	182,234,521	183,823,633	177,109,874
Absentee	4,144,517	4,219,257	4,153,344	3,760,330	3,478,040
TOTAL	189,337,954	188,672,541	186,387,865	187,583,963	180,587,914
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	207,216,065	206,869,353	209,559,814	207,310,331	186,640,059
Absentee	4,371,934	4,380,470	4,495,013	4,058,242	3,679,695
TOTAL	211,587,999	211,249,823	214,054,897	211,368,573	190,319,754
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	772,172	749,310	915,868	949,399	844,917
Absentee Owners	32,326	35,893	41,707	38,430	33,466
TOTAL	804,498	785,203	957,575	987,829	878,383
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	1,348,738	1,340,145	1,522,995	1,493,514	1,184,525
Absentee Owners	18,359	16,840	20,925	18,490	16,500
TOTAL	1,367,097	1,356,985	1,543,920	1,512,004	1,201,025
All Land—Resident Owners ..	2,120,910	2,089,455	2,438,863	2,442,913	2,029,442
Absentee Owners	50,685	52,733	62,632	56,920	49,966
TOTAL	2,171,595	2,142,188	2,501,495	2,499,833	2,079,408
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs.	338,047.185	340,447.440	360,544.677	348,345.145	209,296.334
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	0.971d.	0.957d.	1.028d.	1.042d.	1.377d.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Year ended 30th June—	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Received.	Fine Received.	Tax and Fine Outstanding.
	£	£	£	£	£
1919	2,469,391	1,823	2,246,373	1,677	223,164
1920	2,486,693	2,394	2,259,313	1,855	227,919
1921	2,450,978	2,338	2,078,644	1,648	373,024
1922	2,125,829	2,927	1,997,299	1,478	129,979
1923	1,826,394	90	1,637,510	82	188,892

PARTICULARS OF LOCAL AUSTRALIAN WAR LOANS.

Number of Issue and date when closed.	Number of Subscriptions.			Amount Subscribed.		
	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bonds.	Total.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bonds.	Total.
				£	£	£
1st (31/8/15)	8,603	10,145	18,748	9,581,120	3,808,320	13,389,440
2nd (31/1/16)	12,450	16,495	28,945	16,271,710	5,383,970	21,655,680
3rd (2/9/16)	13,660	88,382	102,042	15,417,880	8,169,770	23,587,650
4th (8/2/17)	13,666	53,806	67,472	14,695,240	6,888,780	21,584,020
5th (2/11/17)	9,882	31,826	41,708	14,276,790	6,936,990	21,213,780
6th (10/4/18)	26,330	117,534	143,864	18,611,070	24,340,050	42,951,120
7th (15/10/18)	16,303	226,891	243,194	14,886,730	29,197,020	44,083,750
8th (7/10/19)	9,208	87,566	96,774	11,474,690	13,550,680	25,025,370
9th (6/9/20)	8,913	52,636	61,549	12,372,040	14,240,520	26,612,560
10th (5/9/21)	4,672	24,797	29,469	5,016,700	5,070,240	10,086,940
Total ..	123,687	710,078	833,765	132,603,970	117,586,340	250,190,310

NOTE.—These issues were all at par, except the 10th, which was issued at 96, the rates of interest being as follows:—1 to 5 inclusive, $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.; 6, optional— $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. free of Income Tax, or 5 per cent. subject to Income Tax; 7 and 8, rate 5 per cent.; 9 and 10, rate 6 per cent.

COMMONWEALTH CONVERSION LOAN, 1923.

	£
Net amount converted into 5 per cent. loan, 1948	8,067,930
Amount converted into 5 per cent. loan, 1928	14,230,370
Amount converted into Peace Savings Certificates and Treasury Bills ..	1,175,254
Total Conversion Applications	23,473,554
Cash subscriptions to 5 per cent. loan, 1948	7,183,870
Cash subscriptions to 5 per cent. loan, 1928	1,539,520
Total Cash Subscriptions	8,723,390
Total Conversion Applications and New Cash Subscriptions ..	32,196,944

State Finance.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES

REVENUE, 1921-22.

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	7,249,017	3,791,174	3,420,296	1,778,576	881,159	727,701	17,847,923
Railways and Tramways	19,145,083	10,751,173	5,125,340	3,326,074	3,054,259	597,612	41,999,089
Land	1,904,221	433,222	1,549,063	285,760	435,188	91,989	4,699,443
Commonwealth Subsidy	2,632,036	1,918,967	951,178	621,862	554,704	355,238	7,033,985
All other Sources ..	4,707,463	3,463,197	1,265,501	1,759,480	1,981,797	408,855	13,586,745
Total Revenue ..	35,637,820	20,357,733	12,311,378	7,771,752	6,907,107	2,181,395	85,167,185
Total Revenue per head ..	£ s. d. 16 15 1	£ s. d. 13 2 6	£ s. d. 15 19 9	£ s. d. 15 9 3	£ s. d. 20 12 2	£ s. d. 9 19 9	£ s. d. 15 9 1
Year ended 30th June—	REVENUE, 1918 TO 1922.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	21,577,229	12,672,787	8,491,482	5,526,226	4,622,536	1,503,047	54,393,307
1919	23,448,166	13,044,088	9,415,543	5,798,313	4,944,850	1,581,984	58,232,944
1920	28,650,496	15,866,184	11,293,743	6,582,788	5,863,501	1,815,031	70,071,743
1921	34,031,396	19,054,475	12,601,031	7,151,366	6,789,565	2,105,449	81,733,282
1922	35,637,820	20,357,733	12,311,378	7,771,752	6,907,107	2,181,395	85,167,185

EXPENDITURE, 1921-22.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	7,107,699	4,982,389	3,286,096	2,222,230	2,444,263	733,648	20,776,325
Railways and Tramways (exclusive of Construction) ..	14,588,001	8,117,070	4,808,362	2,512,596	2,553,124	548,510	33,127,663
All other Expenditure	15,270,825	7,197,820	4,405,512	3,091,415	2,641,855	1,019,919	33,627,346
Total Expenditure	36,966,525	20,297,279	12,499,970	7,826,241	7,639,242	2,302,077	87,531,334
Total Expenditure per head ..	£ s. d. 17 7 6	£ s. d. 13 1 9	£ s. d. 16 4 8	£ s. d. 15 11 5	£ s. d. 22 15 10	£ s. d. 10 10 10	£ s. d. 15 17 8
Year ended 30th June—	EXPENDITURE, 1918 TO 1922.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	21,553,405	12,631,169	8,900,934	5,500,419	5,328,279	1,459,748	55,373,954
1919	23,233,398	13,023,407	9,587,532	5,876,811	5,596,864	1,644,512	58,962,524
1920	30,210,013	15,752,459	11,266,910	6,457,039	6,531,725	1,828,301	72,046,447
1921	34,476,892	18,941,698	12,591,201	7,543,640	7,476,291	2,189,157	83,218,879
1922	36,966,525	20,297,279	12,499,970	7,826,241	7,639,242	2,302,077	87,531,334

STATES LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1921-22.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways and Tramways	4,789,517	3,478,021	1,226,280	572,482	419,131	490,990	10,976,421
Water Supply, etc.	2,744,691	968,048	159,475	1,194,894	217,578	..	5,284,686
Harbors, Rivers, etc.	676,642	..	..	714,371	91,640	132,879	3,022,227
Roads and Bridges	320,827	964,163	..	109,120	12,585	..	..
Land Purchased for Settlement	1,500,000	4,431,854	459,201	(a) 50,105	747,442	168,341	7,256,733
Public Buildings	135,299	284,556	173,090	90,828	44,440	90,933	819,146
All other	275,756	1,678,349	581,527	57,832	922,108	1,214,221	4,729,793
Total	10,442,732	11,804,991	2,599,573	2,689,422	2,454,924	2,097,364	32,089,006
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Loans Expenditure per head	4 18 2	7 12 3	3 7 6	5 7 0	7 6 6	9 12 1	5 16 6

(a) Repayment.

AGGREGATE LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30TH JUNE, 1922.

	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
Railways and Tramways	101,851	61,696	45,760	22,024	18,677	6,342	256,350
Telegraphs and Telephones	1,762	..	996	992	..	..	3,750
Water Supply, etc.	33,606	15,034	1,721	13,001	5,410	..	68,772
Harbors, Rivers, etc.	18,176	926	2,419	4,820	4,023	5,328	45,772
Roads and Bridges	2,188	4,496	932	2,039	425	..	..
Public Buildings	6,325	2,809	2,775	1,765	899	1,455	16,028
Land Purchased for Settlement	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Defence	5,747	23,000	2,522	1,942	7,901	2,982	44,094
All other	1,468	149	363	292	..	128	2,390
Total	10,607	10,108	12,523	6,191	8,185	5,583	53,147
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
Total	181,720	118,218	70,011	53,066	45,470	21,818	490,303

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS, 1918 to 1922.

Year ended June 30—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	152,584,693*	79,595,646	62,296,986	40,621,480	42,304,001	15,127,355	392,540,161
1919	147,174,536	82,031,929	65,581,121	42,650,206	43,637,076	15,281,281	396,356,149
1920	152,776,082	87,647,739	69,680,764	43,753,146	46,822,003	16,630,038	417,309,772
1921	164,336,492	97,317,831	80,382,052	48,556,552	49,039,667	18,776,306	458,408,900
1922	180,796,322	109,099,199	85,691,228	54,388,688	54,959,778	21,945,411	506,880,626

* Includes Stock raised in February, 1918, for the redemption of loans maturing in September, 1918.

PUBLIC DEBT AS ON 30TH JUNE, 1922.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Floated Abroad	118,396,120	42,708,244	58,904,114	28,645,466	37,158,653	11,733,373	297,545,970
Floated in Australia	62,400,202	66,390,955	26,787,114	25,743,222	17,801,125	10,212,038	209,334,656
Total Gross Debt	180,796,322	109,099,199	85,691,228	54,388,688	54,959,778	21,945,411	506,880,626
Sinking Funds	417,067	2,754,640	393,615	1,263,448	8,370,160	948,376	14,147,206
Total Net Debt	180,379,255	106,344,659	85,297,613	53,125,240	46,589,618	20,997,035	492,733,420
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Net Debt per head	83 19 9	67 14 2	108 11 4	105 3 8	137 4 6	98 7 10	88 9 11

**STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AMOUNTS AT THE VARIOUS RATES OF INTEREST
AT 30th JUNE, 1918 to 1922.**

Rate of Interest.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
7½ .. ..	..	..	..	100	122
7¼ .. ..	..	..	..	..	811
7 .. ..	..	..	..	1,000	2,466
£6 15s. 2d. .. ..	..	..	..	..	631
6½ .. ..	..	..	..	11,972	16,150
£6 7s. .. ..	..	..	..	..	5,524
£6 6s. 4d. .. ..	..	..	..	..	4,055
6¼ .. ..	..	..	..	11,173	9,552
6	2	..	2,242	9,726	30,631
5½	13,076	16,076	19,576	20,172	31,565
5¼	10,180	20,924	35,333	47,235	58,262
£5 6s. 11d. .. ..	..	..	..	4,414	4,414
£5 5s. 3d. .. ..	..	..	..	2,452	2,453
5¼	6,695	8,463	25,220	22,852	22,622
5	17,582	18,100	20,693	18,405	18,655
4¾ .. ..	..	..	..	..	1,000
4½ .. ..	..	7,159	7,368	6,582	2,148
4¼	37,747	33,557	28,278	27,155	30,083
4⅓	400	350	..	..	..
4½	801	646	641	837	837
4⅓	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
4	93,220	92,322	87,384	83,984	82,443
3¾	24,377	23,835	12,654	12,020	11,378
3½	124,075	110,223	109,990	109,872	102,544
3¼	25	25	25	..	..
3	46,352	46,415	46,245	46,188	45,993
Overdue, &c.	8	261	3,661	4,270	4,541
Total	392,540	396,356	417,310	458,409	506,880

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1918 to 1922.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	78.581	55.886	89.123	89.817	137.429	76.348	78.042
1919	73.615	55.682	90.500	91.043	136.568	74.527	76.265
1920	73.908	57.956	93.212	89.882	142.082	79.029	77.855
1921	78.204	63.295	104.429	97.596	147.214	88.574	84.028
1922	84.183	69.462	109.098	107.686	161.884	102.837	91.035

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ACCRUED SINKING FUNDS, 1918 to 1922.

30th June—	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	494,163	2,186,078	369,522	1,533,973	5,570,851	878,737	11,033,324
1919	388,259	2,600,778	385,540	1,509,930	6,139,008	646,197	11,669,712
1920	384,639	2,395,813	402,421	1,437,519	6,848,826	699,890	12,169,108
1921	409,988	2,579,019	376,899	1,438,415	7,641,564	815,835	13,261,720
1922	417,067	2,754,540	393,615	1,263,448	8,370,160	948,376	14,147,206

**STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST PAYABLE,
1918 to 1922.**

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918 ..	6,077,448	3,057,269	2,445,780	1,635,421	1,615,167	601,104	15,432,189
1919 ..	6,037,202	3,178,607	2,638,310	1,761,902	1,684,681	615,603	15,916,305
1920 ..	6,563,940	3,547,606	2,740,881	1,839,367	1,857,825	692,721	17,242,340
1921 ..	7,274,749	4,307,841	3,372,217	2,163,037	1,996,589	869,364	19,983,797
1922 ..	8,333,768	5,086,269	3,708,061	2,561,016	2,362,559	1,045,620	23,097,293

**STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE,
1918 to 1922.**

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1918 ..	3.983	3.841	3.926	4.026	3.818	3.971	3.925
1919 ..	4.127	3.874	4.023	4.131	3.860	4.029	4.015
1920 ..	4.296	4.047	4.069	4.204	3.968	4.166	4.168
1921 ..	4.426	4.426	4.212	4.455	4.071	4.630	4.359
1922 ..	4.609	4.662	4.327	4.709	4.299	4.764	4.556

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, 1918 to 1922.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£	£	£	£
1918 ..	13,224,312	11,382,431	9,932,183	34,538,926
1919 ..	17,426,970	15,437,516	11,971,254	44,835,740
1920 ..	21,574,559	20,273,133	14,291,633	56,139,325
1921 ..	31,809,906	20,617,515	18,203,646	70,631,067
1922 ..	27,630,359	22,048,483	17,682,887	67,361,729

**TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS PER HEAD
1918 to 1922.**

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1918 ..	2 13 1	2 5 8	1 19 10	6 18 7
1919 ..	3 8 8	3 0 9	2 7 1	8 16 6
1920 ..	4 1 4	3 16 5	2 14 0	10 11 9
1921 ..	5 17 7	3 16 2	3 7 3	13 1 0
1922 ..	5 0 4	4 0 0	3 4 2	12 4 6

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (Formerly Banks of Issue).

LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, 1919 TO 1923.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to Other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.*	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1919 ..	221,755	1,813,390	6,540,609	118,988,567	130,069,687	249,058,254	257,634,008
1920 ..	224,130	2,343,713	4,505,117	133,012,800	131,715,792	265,028,592	272,701,552
1921 ..	213,868	2,392,074	5,745,770	127,789,314	154,767,037	282,556,351	290,908,063
1922 ..	209,894	2,299,870	4,377,704	123,819,184	104,725,978	288,545,162	295,432,630
1923 ..	207,228	2,453,725	3,754,260	126,656,935	184,664,568	311,321,503	317,766,716

* Includes Savings Bank deposits in the Commonwealth Bank.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA, 1919 TO 1923.

Quarter ended 30th June.*	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Land and Other Property.	Notes and Bills of Other Banks.	Balances due from Other Banks.	All Other Debts due to the Banks.†	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1919 ..	21,341,026	793,883	35,759,107	5,215,550	2,274,422	7,798,735	204,768,013	277,950,736
1920 ..	20,704,078	625,786	34,610,763	5,375,279	2,909,031	7,819,654	197,829,682	269,874,273
1921 ..	21,066,405	560,427	34,492,912	5,736,389	2,496,515	6,644,558	241,838,689	312,745,895
1922 ..	21,350,702	551,351	30,314,643	5,892,641	5,249,453	6,603,581	232,223,277	302,185,648
1923 ..	21,353,880	568,401	28,787,887	6,484,140	7,059,235	8,162,423	255,042,530	327,455,496

* Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank. † Including Government and municipal securities for quarter ended 30th June, 1918, £26,023,531; 1919, £26,815,188; 1920, £37,136,141; 1921, £48,402,929; 1922, £49,985,659, and 1923, £52,771,215.

SAVINGS BANKS, 1918 to 1923.*

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Total.
NUMBER OF DEPOSITORS.								
1918-19 ..	984,951	966,543	343,424	357,310	192,879	99,565	1,167	2,945,839
1919-20 ..	1,053,893	1,014,223	304,149	377,435	204,005	108,289	987	3,122,981
1920-21 ..	1,126,157	1,072,554	327,065	396,970	217,136	115,502	935	3,256,319
1921-22 ..	1,186,948	1,127,892	337,621	414,570	225,136	120,252	861	3,418,280
1922-23 ..	1,246,191	1,188,437	355,902	432,438	250,214	124,850	869	3,598,901

AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918-19 ..	47,070,342	38,772,024	17,510,975	14,803,237	7,002,473	3,285,393	81,097	128,525,541
1919-20 ..	49,933,535	42,317,863	17,909,571	15,496,514	7,258,384	3,930,181	57,106	136,903,154
1920-21 ..	57,394,441	48,970,989	18,587,942	16,317,353	7,663,440	4,159,522	53,790	153,147,477
1921-22 ..	61,791,273	52,131,032	19,394,156	16,931,678	7,759,317	4,224,662	41,115	162,273,233
1922-23 ..	64,324,670	56,101,260	20,483,581	18,249,540	7,852,741	4,411,449	36,689	171,459,930

AVERAGE PER DEPOSITOR.

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1918-19..	47 15 9	40 2 3	50 19 9	41 7 7	36 8 2	32 19 11	69 9 8	43 12 7
1919-20..	47 7 7	41 14 6	49 3 8	41 1 2	35 11 7	36 5 10	57 17 2	43 16 1
1920-21..	50 19 4	45 13 2	56 16 8	41 2 1	35 5 10	36 0 3	57 10 7	47 0 7
1921-22..	52 1 2	46 4 5	57 8 10	40 16 10	34 9 4	35 2 7	47 15 1	47 10 10
1922-23..	51 12 4	47 4 1	57 11 1	42 4 0	31 7 8	35 6 8	42 4 5	47 12 10

AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.

	23 10 10	26 6 4	24 3 3	31 12 0	21 18 4	16 0 6	17 8 5	24 14 7
1918-19..	23 10 10	26 6 4	24 3 3	31 12 0	21 18 4	16 0 6	17 8 5	24 14 7
1919-20..	24 3 1	27 19 8	23 16 8	31 16 8	22 0 6	18 13 6	13 11 1	25 10 10
1920-21..	27 6 3	31 17 8	24 3 5	32 15 11	23 0 1	19 12 5	13 13 11	28 1 6
1921-22..	28 15 5	33 3 10	24 13 10	33 10 6	22 17 1	19 15 11	11 4 6	29 2 10
1922-23..	29 6 9	34 18 0	25 8 6	35 6 5	22 11 2	20 12 8	10 1 2	30 2 11

* Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK, 1914, 1920, 1923.

State.	30th June, 1914.		30th June, 1920.		30th June, 1923.	
	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.
		£		£		£
New South Wales ..	37,677	1,171,255	186,355	5,506,094	244,516	7,681,217
Victoria ..	30,371	1,151,823	115,584	4,572,635	140,991	5,741,782
Queensland ..	24,202	815,947	88,721	3,058,435	355,902	20,483,581
South Australia ..	7,965	317,135	40,094	1,664,173	49,879	2,104,503
Western Australia ..	10,111	277,956	47,462	1,473,301	61,837	2,099,186
Tasmania ..	32,392	885,379	53,616	1,407,815	59,476	1,531,546
Northern Territory ..	292	18,709	987	57,106	869	36,690
Papua and Territory of New Guinea ...	133	7,064	1,103	53,078	1,597	69,642
London ..	..	..	5,873	189,765	7,710	402,742
Total ..	143,143	4,645,268	539,795	17,982,402	922,777	40,150,889

Section V.—Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1918-19 TO 1922-23.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets.

Government.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
Federal ..	1,734	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales ..	4,825 (345)	5,015 (362)	5,043 (359)	5,116 (359)	5,318
Victoria ..	4,190 (71)	4,214 (71)	4,267 (71)	4,317 (58)	4,341
Queensland ..	5,469 (1,372)	5,685 (1,261)	5,752 (1,261)	5,799 (1,265)	5,905
South Australia ..	2,290 (39)	2,333 (50)	2,333 (55)	2,357 (55)	2,373
Western Australia ..	3,538 (973)	3,538 (854)	3,538 (913)	3,538 (875)	3,555
Tasmania ..	601 (210)	629 (211)	630 (247)	637 (236)	663
Total ..	22,647 (3,010)	23,147 (2,809)	23,296 (2,906)	23,497 (2,848)	23,888
Private—					
For general traffic	1,125	968	994	1,003	(a)
„ private „	1,885	1,841	1,912	1,845	(a)
Grand Total ..	25,657	25,956	26,202	26,345	(b)

(a) Not available.

(b) Incomplete.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1923.

Government.	Cost of Construction and Equipment.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Net Earnings. (—denotes net loss.)		
				Amount.	Per Train Mile.	Per cent. on Capital.
	£1,000.	£	£	£	s. d.	%
Federal ..	11,384	336,413	461,033	-124,620	-3 3	-1.09
New South Wales ..	87,714	15,221,333	10,649,974	4,571,359	4 2	5.21
Victoria ..	64,615	11,347,057	8,181,926	3,165,131	4 0	4.90
Queensland ..	(a)	5,420,400	4,714,262	706,138	1 4	(a)
South Australia ..	20,234	3,710,922	2,781,547	929,375	3 0	4.59
Western Australia ..	18,555	2,915,985	2,210,348	705,637	3 2	3.80
Tasmania ..	(a)	572,417	514,350	58,067	0 9	(a)
Total ..	(b)	39,524,527	29,513,440	10,011,087	3 3	(b)

(a) Not available.

(b) Incomplete.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1918-19 TO 1922-23—*continued*.

Government.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
AVERAGE MILES WORKED.					
Federal	1,734	1,733	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales	4,737	4,966	5,019	5,077	5,197
Victoria	4,159	4,194	4,237	4,279	4,322
Queensland	5,324	5,635	5,733	5,784	5,868
South Australia	2,285	2,316	2,333	2,344	2,359
Western Australia	3,507	3,538	3,538	3,538	3,552
Tasmania	599	635	637	635	663
Total	22,345	23,017	23,230	23,390	23,694

TRAIN MILES RUN—'000 OMITTED.

Federal	675	726	811	731	775
New South Wales	19,935	22,835	22,792	21,887	21,694
Victoria	13,032	15,022	15,909	15,857	16,394
Queensland	9,943	10,444	10,736	9,634	10,918
South Australia	5,413	5,192	5,713	5,630	6,206
Western Australia	4,256	4,851	4,918	4,565	4,505
Tasmania	1,108	1,267	1,387	1,433	1,435
Total	54,362	60,337	62,266	59,737	61,927

GROSS EARNINGS—'000 OMITTED.

Federal	266	316	333	323	337
New South Wales	9,958	13,084	14,267	15,213	15,221
Victoria	6,432	8,225	9,796	10,791	11,347
Queensland	3,985	4,960	5,279	5,155	5,420
South Australia	2,392	2,726	2,942	3,297	3,711
Western Australia	1,873	2,292	2,720	2,828	2,916
Tasmania	401	506	600	588	573
Total	25,307	32,109	35,937	38,195	39,525

WORKING EXPENSES—'000 OMITTED.

Federal	407	418	499	461	461
New South Wales	6,904	9,571	11,033	11,116	10,650
Victoria	4,280	6,059	7,836	8,027	8,182
Queensland	3,690	4,323	5,049	4,810	4,714
South Australia	1,830	2,007	2,655	2,537	2,781
Western Australia	1,568	2,001	2,422	2,329	2,210
Tasmania	325	390	476	538	515
Total	19,004	24,769	29,970	29,818	29,513

NET EARNINGS—'000 OMITTED.

Federal	-141	-102	-166	-138	-124
New South Wales	3,054	3,513	3,234	4,097	4,571
Victoria	2,152	2,166	1,960	2,765	3,165
Queensland	294	637	230	344	706
South Australia	562	719	287	760	930
Western Australia	305	291	298	499	706
Tasmania	77	116	124	50	58
Total	6,303	7,340	5,967	8,377	10,012

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1918-19 TO 1922-23—continued.

Government.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.	1922-23.
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.					
Federal	-1.29	-0.92	-1.49	-1.23	-1.09
New South Wales	3.99	4.43	3.93	4.89	5.21
Victoria	3.75	3.72	3.27	4.39	4.90
Queensland	0.77	1.59	0.56	0.81	(a)
South Australia	3.01	3.76	1.48	3.55	4.59
Western Australia	1.70	1.61	1.64	2.72	3.80
Tasmania	1.51	2.21	2.30	0.87	(a)
Total	2.80	3.18	2.51	3.43	(b)

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

(a) Not available.

(b) Incomplete.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1922.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,733	5,116	4,317	5,799	2,357	3,538	637	23,497
aRevenue—								
aCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	162	6,636	5,377	1,899	1,240	973	263	16,550
aGoods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	115	7,954	4,815	3,105	2,001	1,689	312	19,992
aMiscellaneous £	46	623	599	151	56	166	12	1,653
aTotal Revenue £	323	15,213	10,791	5,155	3,297	2,828	588	38,195
aExpenditure	461	11,116	8,027	4,810	2,537	2,329	538	29,818
aTrain miles run	731	21,887	15,857	9,634	5,630	4,565	1,433	59,737
Earnings per train mile	8s. 10d.	13s. 11d.	13s. 7d.	10s. 8d.	11s. 9d.	12s. 5d.	8s. 3d.	12s. 9d.
Expenditure per train mile	12s. 7d.	10s. 2d.	10s. 1d.	10s.	9s.	10s. 2d.	7s. 7d.	10s.
to earnings	142.83	73.07	74.38	93.32	76.94	82.35	91.46	78.07
aPassenger Journeys, No.	96	121,299	142,457	27,156	23,316	17,895	2,758	334,977
aCoal and Coke carried, tons	b	7,136	479	592	320	246	173	8,946
aOther Minerals carried, tons	b	1,308	2	303	639	323	c	2,575
aLive Stock carried, tons	35	603	467	292	120	78	20	1,615
aOther Goods carried ..	74	5,150	6,543	2,546	1,749	1,901	428	18,391
aTotal Freight carried ..	109	14,197	7,491	3,733	2,828	2,548	621	31,527

(a) '000 omitted.

(b) Included with other goods.

(c) Included with Coal and Coke.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

PARTICULARS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1923.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,733	5,318	4,341	5,905	2,373	3,554	664	23,888
a Revenue—								
a Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	157	6,694	5,665	2,008	1,271	972	263	17,030
a Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	129	7,869	4,953	3,290	2,378	1,768	295	20,632
a Miscellaneous £	51	658	729	122	62	176	15	1,813
a Total Revenue ..	337	15,221	11,347	5,420	3,711	2,913	573	39,525
a Expenditure ..	461	10,650	8,182	4,714	2,782	2,210	514	29,513
a Train miles run ..	775	21,694	16,394	10,918	6,206	4,505	1,435	61,927
Earnings per train mile	8s. 8d.	14s.	13s. 11d.	9s. 11d.	12s.	12s. 11d.	8s.	12s. 9d.
Expenditure per train mile	11s. 11d.	9s. 10d.	10s.	8s. 8d.	9s.	9s. 10d.	7s. 2d.	9s. 6d.
Expenditure per cent. to Earnings ..	137.04	69.97	72.11	86.97	74.96	75.80	89.86	74.67
a Passenger Journeys, No.	103	123,715	155,957	28,358	24,475	17,830	2,884	353,322
a Coal and Coke carried, tons ..	6	6,914	457	672	294	214	137	8,694
a Other Mineral carried, tons ..	11	1,386	1,164	459	1,095	405	(b)	4,520
a Live Stock carried, tons	47	737	574	397	157	90	21	2,023
a Other Goods carried ..	59	4,530	5,322	2,681	1,738	1,915	441	16,686
a Total Freight carried ..	123	13,567	7,517	4,209	3,284	2,624	599	31,923

(a) '000 omitted.

(b) Included with Coal and Coke.

Section VI.—Aircraft.

PARTICULARS FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1923.

(Subject to revision.)

Particulars.	States in which Aeroplanes are Located.					Total.
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	
Companies or persons owning aircraft .. No.	12	9	5	1	2	29
Aeroplanes .. No.	19	20	10	1	8	58
(b) Staff employed—						
Certificated Pilots .. No.	5	12	4	..	5	26
Others .. No.	5	21	6	..	17	49
Flights carried out .. No.	927	2,151	762	6	863	4,709
Hours flown ..	286h. 05m.	584h. 58m.	776h. 35m.	5h. 30m.	1,592h. 55m.	3,246h. 03m.
Approximate mileage Miles	18,606	41,132	55,561	360	126,207	241,866
Passengers carried—						
Paying .. No.	1,251	1,419	211	..	394	3,275
Non-Paying .. No.	205	684	185	3	632	1,709
Total .. No.	1,456	2,103	396	3	1,026	4,984
Goods, Weight carried lbs.	156	40	6,196	..	5,425	11,817
Mails, Letters carried .. No.	..	..	(c) 8,811	..	109,999	(a) 118,810
Accidents—						
Damage to Aircraft .. No.	5	3	2	1	5	16
Injuries to Personnel .. No.	..	1	..	..	2	3
Persons Killed .. No.	..	..	..	..	1	1
Injured .. No.	..	3	..	..	1	4

(a) Includes Queensland for eight months only.

(b) Monthly average.

(c) For eight months only.

Section VII.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years
1918 to 1922.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Total.	Total.
NO. OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1918	217	158	102	101	111	74	4	767	*394
1919	211	180	106	101	112	77	4	771	*394
1920	214	158	115	104	121	81	3	796	*388
1921	213	159	118	108	116	79	3	796	*382
1922	217	169	118	106	117	83	3	813	*387
NO. OF BRANCHES.									
1918	785	346	298	137	195	75	..	1,836	†2,200
1919	748	411	338	134	161	76	..	1,868	†2,245
1920	871	453	340	139	172	81	..	2,056	†2,404
1921	925	466	344	150	173	83	..	2,141	†2,595
1922	853	452	346	144	189	69	..	2,058	†2,484
NO. OF MEMBERS.									
1918	243,176	152,063	87,737	51,559	33,761	11,900	1,539	581,755	581,755
1919	255,899	164,583	97,378	56,879	38,169	13,556	1,221	627,685	627,685
1920	277,519	187,100	103,784	55,958	44,054	15,220	815	684,450	684,450
1921	285,638	195,971	103,786	55,701	45,334	15,842	737	703,009	703,009
1922	284,689	206,281	100,939	55,208	41,405	14,346	70	702,938	702,938

* Allowing for Inter-State duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Inter-State groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. † Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Inter-State unions, but also head State branches of Inter-State unions.

Classification of Trade Unions in Australia according to Number of Members
at end of Years 1918 to 1922.

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
NUMBER OF UNIONS.											
1918	11	15	33	39	51	38	19	66	65	57	394
1919	13	13	31	44	52	31	32	62	62	51	394
1920	14	13	41	43	57	29	27	60	54	50	388
1921	15	15	37	41	55	26	30	57	53	53	382
1922	16	14	44	42	42	30	33	53	56	57	387

MEMBERSHIP.

1918	259,824	103,152	91,656	54,119	37,784	14,840	4,599	9,592	4,623	1,656	581,755
1919	292,406	95,400	104,547	64,145	37,083	12,148	7,624	8,392	4,430	1,510	627,685
1920	314,437	101,801	136,587	60,324	40,464	10,751	6,451	8,391	3,763	1,481	684,450
1921	337,633	115,364	120,331	58,775	39,729	10,442	7,213	8,076	3,722	1,674	703,009
1922	338,689	104,296	138,492	57,115	30,834	12,019	8,150	7,602	3,987	1,751	702,938

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Unions Reporting and
Number and Percentage Unemployed,* 1918 to 1923 (3rd Quarter).

Particulars.				Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
						Number.	Percentage.
1918, 4th Quarter	..	..	..	475	308,850	16,919	5.5
1919, 4th "	..	..	..	459	317,413	16,637	5.2
1920, 4th "	..	..	..	450	351,013	27,463	7.8
1921, 1st "	..	..	..	449	344,347	39,346	11.4
2nd "	..	..	..	453	363,675	45,622	12.5
3rd "	..	..	..	456	368,462	41,979	11.4
1922, 4th "	..	..	..	436	370,491	35,250	9.5
1st "	..	..	..	442	378,340	34,800	9.2
2nd "	..	..	..	448	373,757	35,796	9.6
3rd "	..	..	..	443	381,380	36,706	9.6
4th "	..	..	..	445	390,304	33,570	8.6
1923, 1st "	..	..	..	452	377,200	27,112	7.2
2nd "	..	..	..	431	373,161	26,931	7.1
3rd "	..	..	..	453	380,256	28,122	7.4

* The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Percentage of Members of Trade Unions returned as Unemployed* at the end of Years 1912 and 1921, and Quarterly for 1922 and 1923 (3rd Quarter).

State.	1912. end of Year.	1921.	1922.				1923.		
		4th quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	2nd quar. (April to June).	3rd quar. (July to Sept.).	4th quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	2nd quar. (April to June).	3rd quar. (July to Sept.).
New South Wales ..	5.0	11.9	11.1	11.4	11.9	11.4	10.2	8.8	9.3
Victoria ..	6.7	5.9	6.2	7.8	7.4	5.2	4.4	5.7	6.4
Queensland ..	4.6	11.3	11.1	7.7	8.6	12.4	8.0	7.3	6.6
South Australia ..	5.1	6.1	6.6	6.4	6.6	3.3	2.7	4.9	4.6
Western Australia ..	5.8	8.0	8.5	11.4	11.1	8.9	6.9	6.2	5.8
Tasmania ..	3.4	16.7	13.7	10.4	6.7	3.9	4.1	4.9	3.9
Total ..	5.6	9.5	9.2	9.6	9.6	8.6	7.2	7.1	7.4

* Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1918 to 1923 (2nd Quarter).

Periods.	No. of New Dis-putes.	No. of estab-lish-ments in- volved in New Dis-putes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Esti- mated loss in Wages. * £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year 1918 ..	138	182	24,417	8,624	33,041	..	..	181,639	112,894
" 1919 ..	267	678	64,956	35,040	99,996	..	..	4,324,686	2,856,259
" 1920 ..	349	650	68,033	22,349	90,382	..	..	587,156	432,988
" 1921 ..	535	567	108,573	29,921	138,494	..	..	547,838	493,267
" 1922 ..	342	657	88,257	14,042	102,299	..	..	568,520	579,491
3rd Quarter, 1922	79	80	22,064	3,216	25,280	100,149	41,406	141,555	153,917
4th Quarter, 1922	97	410	26,767	3,739	30,547	210,603	23,332	233,935	212,765
1st Quarter, 1923	56	103	14,934	449	15,374	49,472	82,688	132,160	129,099
2nd Quarter, 1923	39	65	17,987	714	18,701	445,143	24,054	469,197	562,620
VICTORIA.									
Year 1918 ..	33	190	4,235	1,513	5,748	..	..	165,020	99,346
" 1919 ..	62	372	15,169	7,437	22,606	..	..	733,333	392,796
" 1920 ..	53	809	15,274	24,534	39,808	..	..	783,286	465,244
" 1921 ..	20	118	4,119	2,161	6,280	..	..	109,595	69,629
" 1922 ..	29	412	5,819	311	6,130	..	..	64,701	47,695
3rd Quarter, 1922	2	42	210	70	280	2,960	4,157	7,117	4,620
4th Quarter, 1922	10	194	2,523	112	2,635	13,744	11,544	25,288	17,618
1st Quarter, 1923	7	41	2,315	..	2,315	78,113	437	78,550	92,322
2nd Quarter, 1923	3	9	895	..	895	4,528	677	5,205	3,735
QUEENSLAND.									
Year 1918 ..	84	696	8,803	1,875	10,678	..	..	183,883	131,142
" 1919 ..	69	295	9,078	6,336	15,414	..	..	586,661	327,537
" 1920 ..	55	71	3,775	2,033	5,808	..	..	68,298	44,943
" 1921 ..	33	97	3,367	1,512	4,879	..	..	95,560	69,793
" 1922 ..	38	49	2,611	620	3,231	..	..	36,730	32,589
3rd Quarter, 1922	10	10	613	479	1,092	7,349	..	7,349	6,121
4th Quarter, 1922	9	20	876	129	1,005	17,517	5,173	22,690	20,520
1st Quarter, 1923	7	7	435	..	435	4,440	21,558	25,998	26,867
2nd Quarter, 1923	5	5	697	120	817	3,930	..	3,930	3,427
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1918 ..	17	25	1,576	429	2,005	..	..	18,276	10,515
" 1919 ..	32	75	4,437	3,409	7,846	..	..	238,378	127,303
" 1920 ..	40	126	4,732	1,067	5,799	..	..	232,402	140,326
" 1921 ..	19	45	2,158	1,002	3,160	..	..	57,038	37,315
" 1922 ..	19	229	2,294	929	3,223	..	..	114,334	43,222
3rd Quarter, 1922	3	207	1,632	561	2,193	94,875	..	94,875	33,752
4th Quarter, 1922	2	4	218	153	371	4,963	10,000	14,963	6,383
1st Quarter, 1923	2	7	47	18	65	690	..	690	341
2nd Quarter, 1923	1	1	3	..	3	33	..	33	20

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1918 to 1923 (2nd Quarter)—*continued.*

Periods.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Estimated loss in Wages. £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1918 ..	22	56	3,368	1,435	4,803	..	..	31,145	17,792
" 1919 ..	20	157	5,516	4,460	9,976	..	..	359,987	213,867
" 1920 ..	45	434	9,095	2,918	12,013	..	..	146,640	108,055
" 1921 ..	12	56	1,906	10,157	12,063	..	..	145,103	86,038
" 1922 ..	8	91	643	163	806	..	..	43,472	38,208
3rd Quarter, 1922	3	36	603	25	628	5,630	165	5,795	6,744
4th Quarter, 1922	1	1	8	10	18	216	36,421	36,637	30,715
1st Quarter, 1923	1	1	12	..	12	60	36,056	36,116	29,986
2nd Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TASMANIA.									
Year 1918 ..	1	1	42	..	42	..	..	462	250
" 1919 ..	5	127	1,098	588	1,686	..	..	63,271	32,738
" 1920 ..	12	14	1,610	146	1,756	..	..	54,283	32,160
" 1921 ..	5	5	75	150	225	..	..	1,483	986
" 1922 ..	5	5	382	4	386	..	..	9,284	7,497
3rd Quarter, 1922	3	3	173	4	177	2,182	..	2,182	1,753
4th Quarter, 1922	1	1	135	..	135	2,820	3,394	6,214	5,044
1st Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
NORTHERN TERRITORY.									
Year 1918 ..	3	4	112	10	122	..	..	428	395
" 1919 ..	5	9	46	21	67	..	..	1,910	1,436
" 1920 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1921 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1922 ..	2	2	40	..	40	..	..	1,040	770
3rd Quarter, 1922	2	2	40	..	40	350	..	350	287
4th Quarter, 1922	..	..	..	..	..	..	690	690	483
1st Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
FEDERAL TERRITORY.									
Year 1918 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1919 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1920 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1921 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
" 1922 ..	2	2	217	..	217	..	..	2,604	2,035
3rd Quarter, 1922	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4th Quarter, 1922	1	1	17	..	17	204	..	204	165
1st Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2nd Quarter, 1923	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL.									
Year 1918 ..	298	1,154	42,553	13,886	56,439	..	..	580,853	372,334
" 1919 ..	460	1,713	100,300	57,291	157,591	..	..	6,308,226	3,951,936
" 1920 ..	554	2,104	102,519	53,047	155,566	..	..	1,872,065	1,223,716
" 1921 ..	624	888	120,198	44,903	165,101	..	..	956,617	757,028
" 1922 ..	445	1,447	100,263	16,069	116,332	..	..	858,685	751,507
3rd Quarter, 1922	102	430	25,335	4,355	29,690	213,495	45,728	259,223	207,194
4th Quarter, 1922	121	631	30,544	4,184	34,728	250,067	90,554	340,621	293,693
1st Quarter, 1923	73	159	17,743	458	18,201	132,775	140,739	273,514	278,615
2nd Quarter, 1923	48	89	19,582	834	20,416	453,634	24,731	478,365	569,802

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

NOTE.—The figures for the years 1918 to 1921 show all losses caused by disputes which commenced during those years (See Labour Reports for particulars in respect of calendar years). The quarterly figures show losses which occurred during the quarter.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—Number and Effect, 1918 to 1922.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.T.	* All States.	Total.
Changes.										
Year 1918 ..	229	201	236	113	63	46	4	..	4	896
" 1919 ..	457	218	216	136	112	128	13	..	4	1,284
" 1920 ..	734	354	300	231	209	154	7	..	10	1,999
" 1921 ..	353	247	233	166	108	77	..	..	16	1,200
" 1922 ..	444	137	132	131	60	64	..	1	3	972
Persons Affected.										
Year 1918 ..	146,399	110,027	74,174	16,239	9,871	3,631	624	..	616	361,581
" 1919 ..	280,031	125,693	116,627	35,377	26,673	16,108	1,287	..	2,095	603,891
" 1920 ..	454,610	258,211	145,464	76,605	55,489	28,317	703	..	7,887	1,027,286
" 1921 ..	272,782	238,084	115,722	44,696	22,695	14,783	..	..	23,503	732,265
" 1922 ..	363,909	90,172	78,791	35,722	18,547	16,038	..	337	24,600	628,116
Net Increase per week.										
Year 1918 ..	£32,194	£25,514	£19,699	£3,885	£2,133	£1,323	£273	..	£239	£85,260
" 1919 ..	£137,642	£43,930	£43,718	£11,989	£10,249	£7,350	£818	..	£949	£256,445
" 1920 ..	£228,186	£119,706	£69,748	£30,316	£25,195	£14,593	£684	..	£6,280	£494,708
" 1921 ..	£38,371	£77,425	£30,790	£13,409	£11,395	£6,370	..	..	£7,898	£185,658
" 1922† ..	£42,930	£6,625	£14,836	£2,687	£1,589	£1,701	..	£56	£138	£70,562
Average Increase per week.										
Year 1918 ..	4s. 5d.	4s. 8d.	5s. 4d.	4s. 9d.	4s. 4d.	7s. 3d.	8s. 9d.	..	7s. 9d.	4s. 9d.
" 1919 ..	9s. 10d.	7s. 0d.	7s. 6d.	6s. 9d.	7s. 6d.	9s. 2d.	9s. 7d.	..	9s. 1d.	8s. 6d.
" 1920 ..	10s. 0d.	9s. 3d.	9s. 7d.	7s. 11d.	9s. 1d.	10s. 4d.	19s. 6d.	..	15s. 11d.	9s. 8d.
" 1921 ..	2s. 10d.	6s. 6d.	5s. 4d.	6s. 0d.	10s. 1d.	8s. 7d.	..	..	6s. 9d.	6s. 1d.
" 1922† ..	2s. 4d.	1s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	1s. 6d.	1s. 9d.	2s. 1d.	..	3s. 4d.	0s. 1d.	2s. 3d.

* Changes recorded in this column are common to all States, as the particulars relating to the number of workpeople affected and the net amount of increase per week in each State were not ascertainable. † Decrease throughout.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—Number and Effect, 1st and 2nd Quarters, 1923.

State.	Increases.			Decreases..			Total Result of all Changes.			Average Amount of Increase per head per week.
	Changes.	Work-people affected.	Increase per Week.	Changes.	Work-people affected.	Decrease per Week.	Changes.	Work-people affected.	Net Increase per Week.	
1ST QUARTER, 1923.										
N.S.W.	25	5,488	£ 910	30	15,849	£ 1,948	55	21,337	£ 1,038†	s. d. 1 0 †
Vic. . .	31	17,720	4,553	24	50,160	4,293	55	67,880	260	0 9
Q'land	7	4,146	486	2	110	25	9	4,256	461	2 2
S.A. . .	21	8,218	2,247	12	6,224	407	33	14,442	1,840	2 7
W.A. . .	11	1,063	293	8	4,022	439	19	5,085	146†	0 7†
Tas. . .	14	2,102	203	10	2,675	125	24	4,777	78	0 4
All States*	..	..	..	3	9,800	406	3	9,800	406†	0 10†
Total	109	38,737	8,692	89	88,840	7,643	198	127,577	1,049	0 2
2ND QUARTER, 1923.										
N.S.W.	160	163,557	£ 8,847	12	2,464	£ 401	172	166,021	£ 8,446	s. d. 1 0
Vic. . .	27	21,438	2,673	11	20,439	1,977	38	41,877	696	0 4
Q'land	4	68	23	4	1,960	378	8	2,028	355†	3 6†
S.A. . .	10	4,231	341	4	3,175	323	14	7,406	18	0 1
W.A. . .	4	1,230	42	4	676	266	8	1,906	224†	2 4†
Tas. . .	9	2,993	257	7	4,014	940	16	7,007	683†	2 0†
All States*	1	1,500	297	2	100	4	3	1,600	293	3 8
Fed. Cap. Territory	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	215	195,017	12,480	44	32,828	4,289	259	227,845	8,191	0 9

* See footnote to preceding table.

† Decrease.

Changes in Rates of Wage according to Industrial Groups, Australia, 1918 to 1922.

Particulars.	INDUSTRIAL GROUP.														
	I. Wood, Furni- ture, Timber, &c.	II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c.	IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c.	V. Books, Printing, &c.	VI. Other Manufacturing.	VII. Building.	VIII. Mines, Quarries, &c.	IX. Rail and Tram Services.	X. Other Land Transport.	XI. Shipping, &c.	XII. Pastoral, &c.	XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	XIV. Miscel- laneous.	XV. ALL GROUPS.*
1918.															
Number of Changes ..	61	42	93	26	24	78	30	25	38	25	38	6	23	270	779
Number of Persons affected ..	14,651	31,804	32,411	23,215	8,707	15,160	17,419	14,285	59,625	12,782	1,990	1,717	9,230	118,585	361,581
Amount of Increase per week £	4,343	10,565	9,025	5,252	1,804	3,944	5,420	2,988	10,320	2,185	719	350	2,167	26,178	85,260
1919.															
Number of Changes ..	39	89	156	31	41	138	42	29	74	37	59	11	49	373	1,168
Number of Persons affected ..	13,616	44,133	72,603	26,905	9,335	50,530	19,053	34,501	114,365	20,871	34,294	9,030	25,799	128,856	603,891
Amount of Increase per week £	4,890	20,381	23,551	11,308	4,449	17,829	8,941	17,434	56,872	8,701	18,168	5,739	7,620	50,562	256,445
1920.															
Number of Changes ..	68	123	241	56	83	245	82	61	82	52	76	19	55	481	1,724
Number of Persons affected ..	44,732	74,853	81,876	55,345	19,757	71,671	61,552	47,865	136,854	28,532	16,842	26,580	34,285	326,542	1,027,286
Amount of Increase per week £	19,015	29,145	41,383	21,271	11,088	31,126	41,059	30,385	54,959	11,605	11,871	20,701	12,258	158,842	494,708
1921.															
Number of Changes ..	22	81	105	45	28	156	27	22	67	32	44	10	39	294	972
Number of Persons affected ..	11,915	58,632	55,555	89,542	12,116	55,766	24,717	6,322	127,860	24,885	37,904	1,815	17,904	207,332	732,265
Amount of Increase per week £	2,650	17,244	13,658	16,143	4,000	14,666	10,196	2,896	18,573	2,717	17,986	853	4,339	59,737	185,658
1922.															
Number of Changes ..	17	90	74	24	32	116	29	27	66	36	23	14	28	248	824
Number of Persons affected ..	14,824	68,844	34,987	13,793	13,533	64,285	48,603	17,716	86,161	12,603	28,432	56,292	15,663	152,380	628,116
Amount of Decrease per week £	2,028	14,399	5,805	1,412	1,722	6,784	8,069	2,330	15,311	2,075	559	4,136†	1,288	12,916	70,562

* In this Table an Industrial Award or Agreement under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, an Order of the War Precautions Coal Board, the Arbitration (Public Service) Act, or the Industrial Peace Act, is counted as one change only, although such Award, Agreement, or Order may be operative in more than one State.—† Increase.

Wages.—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable
and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1923.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	95/10	96/6	96/6	91/11	94/8	92/11	95/7
	Working Hours	46.02	46.23	44.11	45.64	47.87	45.50	46.01
	Hourly Wage	2/1	2/1	2/2½	2/0½	1/11½	2/0½	2/1
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	94/-	96/1	93/6	91/5	94/1	95/4	94/4
	Working Hours	47.91	48.00	44.00	48.00	47.20	47.28	47.99
	Hourly Wage	1/11½	2/-	2/1½	1/10½	2/-	2/0½	1/11½
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	91/8	92/9	92/11	89/5	90/5	88/2	91/10
	Working Hours	47.06	47.14	45.43	46.41	47.21	47.94	46.75
	Hourly Wage	1/11½	1/11½	2/0½	1/11½	1/11	1/10	1/11½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	89/7	91/5	93/6	93/6	96/5	86/11	91/2
	Working Hours	44.45	45.85	44.00	44.00	44.36	46.29	44.99
	Hourly Wage	2/0½	2/-	2/1½	2/1½	2/2	1/10½	2/0½
V. Books, Printing, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	102/4	104/7	99/2	99/4	110/10	98/8	102/10
	Working Hours	44/19	44.90	44.00	47.53	43.10	46.00	44.67
	Hourly Wage	2/3½	2/4	2/3	2/1	2/6½	2/1½	2/3½
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	92/11	91/1	90/11	91/4	94/-	91/7	92/-
	Working Hours	47.15	47.48	45.18	48.00	47.60	47.66	47.21
	Hourly Wage	1/11½	1/11	2/0½	1/10½	1/11½	1/11	1/11½
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	102/2	100/10	104/5	94/1	99/6	97/3	100/10
	Working Hours	45.26	43.47	44.00	44.00	45.42	44.15	44.42
	Hourly Wage	2/3	2/3½	2/4½	2/1½	2/2½	2/2½	2/3½
VIII. Mining† ..	Weekly Wage	104/3	101/1	111/5	71/5	107/11	92/4	103/7
	Working Hours	43.83	44.94	43.03	43.79	43.87	45.42	44.01
	Hourly Wage	2/4½	2/3	2/7	1/7½	2/5½	2/0½	2/4½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	92/5	94/8	98/4	92/1	93/9	91/5	94/-
	Working Hours	48.00	47.49	47.89	48.50	48.00	48.00	47.89
	Hourly Wage	1/11	2/-	2/0½	1/10½	1/11½	1/10½	1/11½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	88/11	85/2	86/-	86/9	89/-	89/3	87/3
	Working Hours	48.14	48.56	48.33	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.26
	Hourly Wage	1/10½	1/9	1/9½	1/9½	1/10½	1/10½	1/9½
XI. Shipping, &c.. ..	Weekly Wage‡	97/7	100/9	98/4	100/5	98/8	99/3	98/10
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c. ..	Weekly Wage§	84/5	80/3	88/7	80/4	84/6	86/-	83/11
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage||	84/3	81/5	82/-	84/3	83/8	66/4	82/7
	Working Hours	48.14	48.43	48.00	48.00	48.00	54.00	48.35
	Hourly Wage	1/9	1/8½	1/8½	1/9	1/9	1/2½	1/8½
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	88/5	89/9	89/9	86/-	85/1	83/8	88/5
	Working Hours	47.85	47.97	46.69	47.78	46.98	47.65	47.67
	Hourly Wage	1/10½	1/10½	1/11	1/9½	1/9½	1/9	1/10½
All Groups ..	Weekly Wage	91/10	91/1	93/9	87/5	93/3	88/3	91/6
All Groups excepting XI. and XII. ..	Weekly Wage	93/5	93/2	95/5	88/7	94/9	88/9	93/2
	Working Hours	46.78	46.98	45.51	47.00	46.33	46.93	46.66
	Hourly Wage	2/-	1/11½	2/1½	1/10½	2/0½	1/10½	2/-

* Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly wage, working hours, and hourly wage, respectively.

† Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. ‡ Average

rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine

Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where provided, at 83s. per month.

§ Including the estimated value of Board and Lodging, where supplied. || Including the value of Board

and Lodging, where supplied, as follows:—In Sydney, 10s. 2d. to 21s. 8d. (according to class of establishment); in Melbourne, 20s. and 23s.; in Brisbane, 14s. and 16s.; in Adelaide, 22s. (Restaurants) and 25s.

(Hotels and Clubs); in Perth, 24s. 6d.; and in Hobart, 25s. per week.

**Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable,
and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1923.**

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	42/3	44/9	41/11	39/9	35/-	44/6	43/2
	Working Hours	46.50	48.00	46.17	48.00	44.00	48.00	47.22
	Hourly Wage	-/11	-/11½	-/11	-/10	-/9½	-/11½	-/11
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	48/4	47/-	47/3	47/11	51/9	45/3	47/8
	Working Hours	44.14	45.29	44.00	44.00	44.00	45.11	44.64
	Hourly Wage	1/1½	1/0½	1/1	1/1	1/2	1/-	1/0½
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	45/7	49/2	44/7	45/10	..	45/-	47/3
	Working Hours	46.48	47.17	44.07	47.50	..	48.00	46.74
	Hourly Wage	-/11½	1/0½	1/0½	-/11½	..	-/11½	1/0½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c. ..	Weekly Wage†	46/1	48/1	46/8	45/1	61/8	53/11	48/5
	Working Hours	47.08	47.69	47.33	48.00	48.00	54.00	47.64
	Hourly Wage	-/11½	1/-	-/11½	-/11½	1/3½	1/-	1/0½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	48/8	50/11	53/-	36/6	..	..	48/9
	Working Hours	47.43	46.50	47.00	48.00	..	..	47.10
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/1½	1/1½	-/9½	..	..	1/0½
All Groups ..	Weekly Wage	47/6	48/-	48/2	44/-	56/4	47/7	47/10
	Working Hours	45.81	46.14	45.60	46.10	45.97	47.86	45.98
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/0½	1/0½	-/11½	1/2½	1/-	1/0½

* Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly rates of wage, working hours, and hourly wage respectively. † The value of board and lodging—estimated at 10s. 2d. to 21s. 8d. per week (according to class of establishment) in Sydney; 20s. and 23s. in Melbourne; 14s. and 16s. in Brisbane; 25s. (Hotels and Clubs) and 22s. (Restaurants) in Adelaide; 24s. 6d. in Perth; and 25s. in Tasmania—is included, where provided, in order that the rate may be comparable with those paid in other industries.

**Wages—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full
Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th June, 1923.**

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia in 1911 (51s. 3d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
RATES OF WAGE.							
30th June, 1914	s. d. 55 11	s. d. 54 4	s. d. 52 10	s. d. 54 4	s. d. 62 9	s. d. 52 7	s. d. 55 3
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
30th June, 1921	95 3	92 0	86 5	85 8	93 6	88 3	93 3
31st December, 1921	95 10	93 7	86 8	89 5	95 0	91 8	94 6
30th June, 1922	93 8	91 5	84 0	87 5	93 6	88 7	92 4
30th September, 1922	91 10	91 0	83 10	87 6	93 9	88 8	91 6
31st December, 1922	91 6	91 4	83 10	87 6	93 9	88 5	91 6
31st March, 1923	91 5	91 2	83 9	87 5	93 5	88 5	91 4
30th June, 1923	91 10	91 1	83 9	87 5	93 3	88 3	91 6
INDEX-NUMBERS.							
30th June, 1914	1,091	1,059	1,030	1,060	1,225	1,026	1,079
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
30th June, 1921	1,858	1,796	1,881	1,672	1,824	1,722	1,820
31st December, 1921	1,869	1,826	1,886	1,745	1,853	1,788	1,844
30th June, 1922	1,828	1,784	1,835	1,706	1,824	1,728	1,801
30th September, 1922	1,792	1,777	1,831	1,707	1,831	1,730	1,786
31st December, 1922	1,785	1,783	1,830	1,708	1,829	1,726	1,785
31st March, 1923	1,784	1,780	1,830	1,705	1,823	1,724	1,783
30th June, 1923	1,791	1,778	1,829	1,705	1,820	1,723	1,785

**Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full
Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 30th June, 1923.**

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia at 30th April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
RATES OF WAGE.							
30th June, 1914	s. d. 26 9	s. d. 27 4	s. d. 27 0	s. d. 24 1	s. d. 37 4	s. d. 25 10	s. d. 27 2
31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
30th June, 1921	48 6	46 2	49 10	43 7	54 11	46 9	47 7
31st December, 1921	49 0	47 10	50 3	45 2	56 4	47 6	48 8
30th June, 1922	48 4	47 10	48 2	44 6	56 4	47 6	48 1
30th September, 1922	48 2	47 8	48 2	44 6	56 4	47 6	48 0
31st December, 1922	47 8	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 11
31st March, 1923	47 3	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 9
30th June, 1923	47 6	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 10

WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY
RATES, ETC.—*continued.*

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aus- tralia.
INDEX-NUMBERS.							
30th June, 1914	984	1,006	993	885	1,373	950	1,000
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
30th June, 1921	1,785	1,700	1,835	1,605	2,022	1,721	1,751
31st December, 1921	1,803	1,761	1,849	1,661	2,074	1,749	1,790
30th June, 1922	1,778	1,760	1,771	1,639	2,073	1,749	1,770
30th September, 1922	1,773	1,756	1,771	1,639	2,073	1,749	1,766
31st December, 1922	1,754	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,763
31st March, 1923	1,740	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,758
30th June, 1923	1,747	1,767	1,771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,760

Boards Authorized and Constituted, Awards, Determinations, and Agreements in
Force, 30th June, 1923.

Particulars.	Common- wealth.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
	Court.	Pub. Ser. Arb.							
1. <i>Boards Authorized and Con- stituted—</i>									
Number of Boards authorized .. .. .	..	..	*274	175	..	76	..	47	572
Number of Boards constituted .. .. .	..	..	*274	173	..	76	..	41	564
2. <i>Boards Constituted which have made Awards or Determina- tions—</i>									
Number of Boards which had made or varied awards or determinations .. .. .	..	..	*258	161	..	66	..	32	517
Number of Boards which had not made any award or de- termination .. .. .	..	..	*16	12	..	10	..	9	47
3. <i>Number of Awards and Deter- minations in Force†</i>	109	29	328	167	210	75	75	49	1,042
4. <i>Scope of State Awards and De- terminations—</i>									
Number applying to the whole State .. .. .	..	..	40	42	63	8	5	40	198
Number applying to the Metro- politan area only .. .. .	..	..	85	1	47	47	46	..	226
Number applying to the Metro- politan and Country towns .. .. .	..	..	137	114	42	2	..	7	302
Number applying to the Coun- try areas .. .. .	..	..	66	10	58	18	24	2	178
5. <i>Number of Commonwealth Court Awards in Force in each State</i> .. .. .	..	..	64	86	27	67	37	49	..
6. <i>Number of Determinations of the Public Service Arbitrator in Force in each State</i> .. .. .	..	..	28	25	25	26	26	24	..
7. <i>Industrial Agreements in Force</i>	457	..	109	..	51	43	67	4	731
8. <i>Number of Commonwealth Agree- ments in Force in each State</i> .. .. .	..	..	68	289	25	52	40	20	..
9. <i>Number of Persons working under State Awards, Deter- minations, and Industrial Agreements (estimated)</i> .. .. .	..	..	275,000	184,500	100,000	32,000	35,000	15,000	641,500

* Excluding Special Demarcation Boards. In pursuance of section 14 of the *Industrial Arbitration Act* 1912, as amended, the Court of Industrial Arbitration has been exercising the functions of Industrial Boards.
† Including awards made by Industrial Courts.

Section VIII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Retail Price Index-Numbers,*—Capital Cities, 1901 to 1922.†

CITY.	1901.	1907.	1911.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED.—GROCERIES AND FOOD.													
Sydney	917	936	989	1,131	1,156	1,396	1,520	1,540	1,549	1,783	2,148	1,898	1,703
Melbourne ..	965	925	935	1,024	1,091	1,411	1,462	1,412	1,466	1,620	2,056	1,901	1,644
Brisbane .. .	965	947	1,018	1,042	1,078	1,373	1,426	1,405	1,495	1,762	2,052	1,812	1,608
Adelaide .. .	1,028	951	1,020	1,119	1,215	1,487	1,532	1,445	1,554	1,719	2,132	1,906	1,723
Perth	1,184	1,197	1,346	1,267	1,302	1,488	1,542	1,505	1,486	1,772	2,050	1,995	1,776
Hobart	1,011	1,010	1,058	1,164	1,212	1,445	1,523	1,544	1,635	1,748	2,162	2,025	1,794
Weighted Average*..	972	955	1,000	1,095	1,144	1,416	1,495	1,472	1,514	1,716	2,101	1,902	1,684

GROUP IV.—HOUSE RENT.

Sydney	858	911	1,090	1,246	1,279	1,220	1,212	1,216	1,252	1,289	1,415	1,474	1,535
Melbourne ..	733	804	970	1,089	1,126	1,085	1,089	1,124	1,180	1,283	1,405	1,502	1,597
Brisbane .. .	488	575	767	863	882	859	847	859	905	983	1,061	1,079	1,206
Adelaide .. .	629	812	1,112	1,125	1,040	932	930	959	1,022	1,108	1,216	1,289	1,360
Perth	801	684	810	928	914	848	869	874	885	916	996	1,055	1,092
Hobart	667	708	805	887	914	928	928	951	956	1,134	1,373	1,440	1,445
Weighted Average*..	751	816	1,000	1,118	1,135	1,081	1,081	1,098	1,143	1,215	1,333	1,404	1,480

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—GROCERIES, FOOD, AND HOUSE RENT.

Sydney	893	926	1,031	1,178	1,206	1,323	1,394	1,407	1,427	1,580	1,847	1,724	1,634
Melbourne ..	870	875	950	1,051	1,105	1,277	1,309	1,294	1,349	1,481	1,788	1,737	1,625
Brisbane .. .	769	794	915	969	997	1,162	1,188	1,181	1,252	1,442	1,645	1,511	1,442
Adelaide .. .	864	894	1,058	1,121	1,143	1,259	1,285	1,245	1,335	1,468	1,756	1,652	1,574
Perth	1,027	986	1,126	1,128	1,143	1,222	1,266	1,246	1,239	1,420	1,617	1,609	1,495
Hobart	869	886	954	1,053	1,090	1,233	1,278	1,301	1,356	1,496	1,837	1,785	1,651
Weighted Average*..	880	897	1,000	1,104	1,140	1,278	1,324	1,318	1,362	1,510	1,785	1,697	1,606

* As the Price Index-Number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

† Index-Numbers for intervening years not given may be found in Labour Report No. 6, p. 26.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PREDOMINANT WEEKLY RENTALS—CAPITAL CITIES. 3rd QUARTER, 1921, TO 3rd QUARTER, 1923, INCLUSIVE.

CITY.	1921.		1922.				1923.		
	3rd Quarter (July to Sept.).	4th Quarter (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quarter (Jan. to March).	2nd Quarter (April to June).	3rd Quarter (July to Sept.).	4th Quarter (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quarter (Jan. to March).	2nd Quarter (April to June).	3rd Quarter (July to Sept.).
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney	23 1	23 3	23 7	23 11	24 1	24 2	24 9	25 5	25 5
Melbourne ..	23 9	24 2	24 3	24 11	25 1	25 6	25 7	26 1	26 3
Brisbane .. .	16 10	16 11	18 2	18 10	19 1	19 3	19 6	19 6	19 6
Adelaide .. .	20 1	20 4	20 11	21 1	21 3	21 8	22 3	22 9	22 9
Perth	16 8	16 9	16 10	17 1	17 1	17 2	17 6	17 7	17 6
Hobart	22 6	22 4	22 1	22 7	22 8	22 10	23 9	25 2	25 5

NOTE.—The Rentals are shown to the nearest penny.

Retail Price Index-Numbers** (Food, Groceries, and Housing) for each of Thirty Towns, 1912, 1914, 1919 to 1923 (3rd Quarter), with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base (=1,000).†

Particulars.	1912.	1914.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.		1923.	
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	3rd Qtr. (July to Sept.)	2nd Qtr. (Apr. to June).	3rd Qtr. (July to Sept.)
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney ..	1,148	1,206	1,580	1,847	1,724	1,634	1,669	1,744	1,793
Newcastle ..	955	994	1,493	1,766	1,669	1,545	1,575	1,619	1,682
Broken Hill§ ..	1,080	1,068	1,419	1,712	1,554	1,346	1,362	1,479	1,537
Goulburn ..	1,042	1,130	1,524	1,836	1,694	1,571	1,577	1,751	1,786
Bathurst ..	919	987	1,340	1,615	1,493	1,352	1,366	1,435	1,514
*Weighted Average	1,125	1,179	1,562	1,831	1,709	1,610	1,643	1,724	1,775
VICTORIA—									
Melbourne ..	1,055	1,105	1,481	1,788	1,737	1,625	1,661	1,763	1,839
Ballarat ..	914	904	1,198	1,558	1,502	1,376	1,416	1,488	1,574
Bendigo ..	926	922	1,215	1,535	1,492	1,384	1,410	1,502	1,562
Geelong ..	996	1,012	1,347	1,623	1,612	1,474	1,494	1,577	1,642
Warrnambool ..	935	959	1,311	1,640	1,604	1,433	1,468	1,564	1,638
*Weighted Average	1,033	1,073	1,436	1,747	1,698	1,583	1,618	1,734	1,809
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane ..	979	997	1,442	1,645	1,511	1,442	1,452	1,500	1,525
Toowoomba ..	977	950	1,402	1,576	1,432	1,317	1,328	1,446	1,502
Rockhampton ..	962	988	1,408	1,557	1,424	1,313	1,325	1,361	1,408
Charters Towers ..	1,008	988	1,454	1,557	1,423	1,312	1,308	1,375	1,411
Warwick ..	1,004	912	1,398	1,568	1,468	1,322	1,336	1,406	1,443
*Weighted Average	981	988	1,434	1,619	1,486	1,403	1,412	1,477	1,507
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide ..	1,157	1,143	1,468	1,756	1,653	1,574	1,594	1,686	1,714
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	917	960	1,330	1,571	1,476	1,358	1,372	1,426	1,423
Port Pirie§ ..	1,004	1,055	1,424	1,630	1,525	1,401	1,401	1,447	1,486
Mount Gambier ..	874	923	1,222	1,468	1,418	1,270	1,282	1,344	1,392
Peterborough ..	1,014	1,126	1,369	1,607	1,536	1,418	1,427	1,471	1,475
*Weighted Average	1,126	1,122	1,449	1,728	1,628	1,543	1,561	1,664	1,687
WEST AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, &c. ..	1,154	1,143	1,420	1,617	1,609	1,495	1,517	1,595	1,559
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,334	1,291	1,545	1,706	1,647	1,515	1,541	1,613	1,601
Northam ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,524	1,537
Bunbury ..	1,104	1,111	1,309	1,465	1,487	1,432	1,451	1,496	1,480
Geraldton ..	1,255	1,315	1,425	1,621	1,596	1,465	1,482	1,564	1,548
*Weighted Average	1,191	1,175	1,438	1,627	1,611	1,496	1,520	1,593	1,561
TASMANIA—									
Hobart ..	1,042	1,090	1,496	1,837	1,785	1,651	1,662	1,759	1,796
Launceston ..	999	1,014	1,409	1,692	1,612	1,539	1,557	1,620	1,690
Burnie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,631	1,693
Devonport ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,650	1,713
Queenstown ..	988	1,021	1,357	1,521	1,468	1,341	1,345	1,380	1,444
*Weighted Average	1,012	1,041	1,431	1,734	1,671	1,557	1,570	1,697	1,746
†Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	1,080	1,113	1,481	1,753	1,668	1,564	1,592	1,686	1,735
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities ..	1,101	1,140	1,510	1,785	1,697	1,600	1,630	1,711	1,760
¶Townsville (Q.) ..	..	..	1,713	1,864	1,765	1,661	1,648	1,699	1,710

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns. ‡ See remarks on page 336 Labour Report No. 7, with reference to change of base period. § See remarks on page 367, Labour Report No. 7, paragraph (iv.) re house rent. ¶ Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia. ** As the Price Index-number increases, the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for Six Capital Towns in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

State and Town.	1922.	1923.			Index Numbers for Twelve Months ending—	
	Fourth Quarter (October to December).	First Quarter (January to March).	Second Quarter (April to June).	Third Quarter (July to September).	30th June, 1923.	30th September, 1923.
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney	1,661	1,658	1,744	1,793	1,683 ✓	1,714
Newcastle	1,569	1,571	1,619	1,682	1,584	1,610
Broken Hill	1,361	1,391	1,479	1,537	1,398	1,442
Goulburn	1,592	1,641	1,751	1,786	1,640	1,693
Bathurst	1,358	1,378	1,435	1,514	1,384	1,421
Weighted Average, New South Wales	1,636	1,641	1,724	1,775	1,661	1,694
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne	1,643	1,638	1,763	1,839	1,676	1,721
Ballarat	1,380	1,403	1,488	1,574	1,422	1,461
Bendigo	1,416	1,409	1,502	1,562	1,434	1,472
Geelong	1,494	1,500	1,577	1,642	1,516	1,553
Warrnambool	1,437	1,450	1,564	1,638	1,480	1,522
Weighted Average, Victoria	1,601	1,614	1,734	1,809	1,642	1,690
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane	1,454	1,464	1,500	1,525	1,468	1,486
Toowoomba	1,351	1,405	1,446	1,502	1,383	1,426
Rockhampton	1,322	1,332	1,361	1,408	1,335	1,356
Charters Towers	1,323	1,335	1,375	1,411	1,335	1,361
Warwick	1,320	1,373	1,406	1,443	1,359	1,386
Weighted Average, Queensland	1,416	1,441	1,477	1,507	1,437	1,460
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide	1,565	1,590	1,686	1,714	1,609	1,639
Kadina, &c.	1,342	1,378	1,426	1,423	1,380	1,392
Port Pirie	1,370	1,381	1,447	1,486	1,400	1,421
Mount Gambier	1,267	1,271	1,344	1,392	1,291	1,319
Peterborough	1,394	1,416	1,471	1,475	1,427	1,439
Weighted Average, South Australia	1,532	1,571	1,664	1,687	1,582	1,614
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, &c.	1,468	1,483	1,595	1,559	1,516	1,526
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,493	1,507	1,613	1,601	1,539	1,554
Northam .. ..	..	1,433	1,524	1,537	..	..
Bunbury	1,421	1,398	1,496	1,480	1,442	1,449
Geraldton	1,456	1,482	1,564	1,548	1,496	1,513
Weighted Average, Western Australia	1,470	1,483	1,593	1,561	1,517	1,527
TASMANIA—						
Hobart	1,636	1,670	1,759	1,796	1,682	1,715
Launceston	1,577	1,578	1,620	1,690	1,583	1,616
Burnie .. ..	..	1,545	1,631	1,693	..	..
Devonport .. ..	..	1,576	1,650	1,713	..	..
Queenstown	1,347	1,332	1,380	1,444	1,351	1,376
Weighted Average, Tasmania	1,561	1,623	1,697	1,746	1,613	1,657
Weighted Average, Australia	1,578	1,593	1,686	1,735	1,612	1,648
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities	1,614	1,614	1,711	1,760	1,642	1,675

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, Housing, Clothing, and Miscellaneous Expenditure) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in November, 1914, as Base (= 1,000).

State and Town.	November, 1914	November, 1920.	November, 1921.	May, 1922.	August, 1922.	November, 1922.	1st Qtr. (Jan. to March) 1923.	2nd Qtr. (April to June) 1923.
NEW SOUTH WALES—								
Sydney	1,037	1,681	1,477	1,438	1,454	1,440	1,417	1,456
Newcastle	1,461	1,388	1,390	1,366	1,382	1,426
Broken Hill	1,348	1,310	1,304	1,290	1,290	1,332
Goulburn	1,469	1,441	1,423	1,405	1,434	1,487
Bathurst	1,342	1,288	1,275	1,261	1,276	1,306
*Weighted Average	1,469	1,427	1,439	1,425	1,414	1,450
VICTORIA—								
Melbourne	986	1,704	1,475	1,435	1,427	1,417	1,427	1,483
Ballarat	1,435	1,381	1,391	1,365	1,317	1,352
Bendigo	1,444	1,375	1,372	1,344	1,317	1,353
Geelong	1,471	1,453	1,430	1,424	1,366	1,396
Warrnambool	1,486	1,391	1,365	1,323	1,336	1,386
*Weighted Average	1,470	1,428	1,421	1,408	1,415	1,469
QUEENSLAND—								
Brisbane	898	1,511	1,330	1,270	1,281	1,275	1,323	1,340
Toowoomba	1,380	1,283	1,245	1,229	1,287	1,318
Rockhampton	1,393	1,334	1,286	1,278	1,258	1,261
Charters Towers	1,434	1,299	1,276	1,213	1,248	1,264
Warwick	1,428	1,315	1,325	1,294	1,297	1,310
*Weighted Average	1,353	1,281	1,279	1,266	1,311	1,328
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—								
Adelaide	997	1,657	1,411	1,427	1,398	1,370	1,415	1,454
Moonta, etc.	1,408	1,332	1,293	1,254	1,309	1,334
Port Pirie	1,438	1,369	1,345	1,305	1,293	1,321
Mount Gambier	1,448	1,331	1,305	1,278	1,273	1,313
Peterborough	1,352	1,290	1,258	1,228	1,316	1,329
*Weighted Average	1,413	1,414	1,385	1,356	1,405	1,442
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—								
Perth, etc.	1,001	1,552	1,409	1,380	1,343	1,301	1,351	1,403
Kalgoorlie, etc.	1,470	1,391	1,379	1,343	1,375	1,429
Northam	1,296	1,332
Bunbury	1,417	1,364	1,366	1,332	1,303	1,358
Geraldton	1,459	1,392	1,353	1,318	1,361	1,399
*Weighted Average	1,424	1,385	1,355	1,313	1,352	1,403
TASMANIA—								
Hobart	997	1,724	1,536	1,515	1,499	1,452	1,485	1,517
Launceston	1,535	1,460	1,437	1,431	1,419	1,424
Burnie	1,360	1,389
Devonport	1,374	1,400
Queenstown	1,423	1,360	1,326	1,301	1,301	1,320
*Weighted Average	1,511	1,464	1,445	1,414	1,450	1,473
Weighted Average for 30 Towns	1,451	1,410	1,406	1,388	1,400	1,441
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities	1,000†	1,665	1,454	1,420	1,418	1,402	1,408	1,452

* Weighted average for five towns.

† Basis of table.

RETAIL PRICES : Amount necessary on the Average in each Year from 1901 to 1923 (3rd Quarter) to purchase in each Capital City what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities.
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FOOD AND GROCERIES (46 COMMODITIES).

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1901	18	4	19	4	19	4	20	7	23	8	20	3
1907	18	9	18	6	18	11	19	0	23	11	20	2
1911	19	9	18	8	20	4	20	5	26	11	21	2
1918	31	0	29	4	29	11	31	1	29	9	32	8
1919	35	8	32	5	35	3	34	5	35	5	35	0
1920	43	0	41	1	41	1	42	8	41	0	43	3
1921	38	0	38	0	36	3	38	1	40	0	40	6
1922	34	1	32	11	32	2	34	6	35	6	35	11
1922—1st Quarter..	32	10	31	6	32	3	33	5	34	9	35	10
2nd " ..	33	6	33	0	31	11	35	7	36	7	36	5
3rd " ..	35	1	34	0	32	3	35	1	36	3	36	2
4th " ..	34	9	33	0	32	2	33	10	34	6	35	1
1923—1st " ..	34	2	32	9	32	4	34	1	34	9	35	6
2nd " ..	36	6	35	6	33	6	36	11	38	5	37	2
3rd " ..	38	2	39	0	34	5	37	10	37	4	38	3

HOUSING ACCOMMODATION (WEIGHTED AVERAGE—ALL HOUSES).

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1901	17	3	14	8	9	9	12	7	16	0	13	4
1907	18	4	16	1	11	6	16	3	13	8	14	2
1911	21	10	19	5	15	4	22	3	16	3	16	1
1918	25	0	23	7	18	1	20	5	17	8	19	1
1919	25	9	25	8	19	8	22	2	18	4	22	8
1920	28	4	28	1	21	3	24	4	19	11	27	5
1921	29	6	30	0	21	7	25	9	21	0	28	10
1922	30	8	31	11	24	1	27	2	21	10	28	11
1922—1st Quarter..	30	3	31	1	23	4	26	10	21	7	28	4
2nd " ..	30	8	31	11	24	1	27	0	21	10	29	0
3rd " ..	30	11	32	2	24	5	27	3	21	10	29	0
4th " ..	31	9	32	9	24	7	27	9	22	0	29	3
1923—1st " ..	31	8	32	9	24	11	28	6	22	5	30	5
2nd " ..	32	6	33	5	24	11	29	1	22	7	32	4
3rd " ..	32	7	33	7	24	11	29	2	22	5	32	7

FOOD, GROCERIES AND HOUSING COMBINED.

	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
1901	17	10	17	5	15	5	17	3	20	6	17	5
1907	18	6	17	6	15	11	17	11	19	9	17	9
1911	20	7	19	0	18	4	21	2	22	6	19	1
1918	28	6	27	0	25	1	26	8	24	9	27	1
1919	31	7	29	7	28	10	29	4	28	5	29	11
1920	36	11	35	9	32	11	35	1	32	4	36	9
1921	34	6	34	10	30	3	33	1	32	2	35	8
1922	32	8	32	6	28	10	31	6	29	11	33	0
1922—1st Quarter..	31	9	31	4	28	7	30	8	29	4	32	9
2nd " ..	32	4	32	7	28	8	32	1	30	6	33	4
3rd " ..	33	4	33	2	29	1	31	11	30	4	33	3
4th " ..	33	3	32	10	29	1	31	4	29	4	32	9
1923—1st " ..	33	2	32	9	29	2	31	10	29	8	33	5
2nd " ..	34	11	35	3	30	0	33	9	31	11	35	2
3rd " ..	35	10	36	9	30	6	34	3	31	2	35	11

**RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF
THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED
AVERAGE FOR SIX CAPITAL CITIES IN 1911 AS BASE (=1000).†**

Particulars.	1914.	1919.	1920.	1921.		1922.		1923.		Per- cent- age in- crease from July, 1914, to Sept., 1923.
	July.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	1,153	1,753	2,333	1,835	1,809	1,765	1,780	1,930	1,896	64.4
Newcastle	1,147	1,807	2,305	1,886	1,853	1,747	1,783	1,925	1,940	69.1
Broken Hill	1,468	1,923	2,571	1,935	1,844	1,805	1,809	2,122	2,083	41.9
Goulburn	1,183	1,764	2,498	1,823	1,803	1,696	1,707	1,974	1,947	64.6
Bathurst	1,097	1,687	2,346	1,842	1,775	1,665	1,664	1,880	1,885	71.8
* Weighted Average ..	1,165	1,764	2,343	1,843	1,814	1,762	1,779	1,935	1,905	63.5
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	1,106	1,613	2,307	1,831	1,764	1,694	1,702	1,971	1,882	70.2
Ballarat	1,103	1,596	2,352	1,827	1,788	1,693	1,689	1,923	1,916	73.7
Bendigo	1,107	1,565	2,273	1,822	1,745	1,692	1,709	1,921	1,868	68.7
Geelong	1,089	1,585	2,236	1,835	1,773	1,675	1,693	1,863	1,844	69.3
Warrnambool	1,087	1,628	2,306	1,846	1,792	1,636	1,642	1,865	1,854	70.6
* Weighted Average ..	1,105	1,608	2,305	1,831	1,766	1,693	1,701	1,962	1,882	70.3
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	1,057	1,730	2,103	1,757	1,769	1,616	1,621	1,724	1,718	62.5
Toowoomba	1,041	1,767	2,051	1,705	1,634	1,562	1,592	1,749	1,741	67.2
Rockhampton	1,156	1,829	2,103	1,766	1,763	1,614	1,629	1,767	1,765	52.7
Charters Towers ..	1,246	1,904	2,158	1,774	1,793	1,703	1,695	1,892	1,870	50.1
Warwick	1,083	1,782	2,089	1,738	1,754	1,601	1,611	1,712	1,725	59.3
* Weighted Average ..	1,082	1,759	2,102	1,754	1,756	1,617	1,625	1,736	1,729	59.8
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	1,250	1,708	2,276	1,826	1,763	1,747	1,730	1,907	1,848	47.8
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	1,230	1,709	2,239	1,819	1,729	1,754	1,690	1,798	1,772	44.1
Port Pirie	1,291	1,715	2,238	1,855	1,816	1,744	1,673	1,869	1,863	44.3
Mount Gambler	1,064	1,607	2,158	1,835	1,707	1,646	1,651	1,838	1,813	70.4
Peterborough	1,340	1,719	2,213	1,866	1,826	1,757	1,767	1,815	1,796	34.0
* Weighted Average ..	1,247	1,705	2,268	1,828	1,763	1,744	1,723	1,900	1,845	48.0
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth, &c.	1,340	1,895	2,110	1,902	1,842	1,813	1,789	1,878	1,823	36.0
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,664	2,143	2,394	2,109	2,110	2,054	2,040	2,153	2,123	27.6
Northam .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,029	2,008	..
Bunbury	1,418	2,066	2,181	1,990	1,938	1,874	1,875	1,896	1,860	31.2
Geraldton	1,445	1,886	2,164	2,047	1,921	1,879	1,874	1,943	1,919	32.8
* Weighted Average ..	1,412	1,949	2,174	1,954	1,904	1,870	1,850	1,911	1,861	31.8
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	1,211	1,781	2,395	1,998	1,911	1,818	1,786	1,914	1,921	58.6
Launceston	1,144	1,740	2,405	1,902	1,828	1,707	1,731	1,889	1,939	69.5
Burnie .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,953	1,997	..
Devonport .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,939	1,925	..
Queenstown	1,315	1,874	2,225	2,043	2,026	1,844	1,845	2,049	2,038	55.0
* Weighted Average ..	1,201	1,777	2,387	1,972	1,899	1,786	1,778	1,915	1,933	60.9
† Weighted Average, Australia	1,164	1,718	2,289	1,341	1,796	1,731	1,737	1,918	1,872	60.8
** Townsville (Queensland) ..	..	1,955	2,235	1,986	1,989	1,795	1,823	1,892	1,892	..

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns.

‡ See remarks on page 31 of Labour Report No. 6 with reference to change of base period.

** Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.

NOTE.—Corresponding index-numbers for the intervening months are given in Labour Reports Nos. 6 to 13; in Labour Bulletins Nos. 17 and 18; and in the Quarterly Summaries of Statistics Nos. 70 to 92.

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF NEW SOUTH WALES ON THE
15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lbs.	4.94	4.94	4.94	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour ..	25 ..	50.30	48.45	47.90	52.29	51.71	51.71	54.86	55.50	52.50	51.40	49.60	48.60	50.25	42.50	39.75
Tea ..	lb.	24.20	24.20	24.30	25.00	25.00	25.00	29.29	29.67	29.67	27.60	27.60	27.60	24.38	24.38	24.38
Coffee ..	"	25.20	25.20	25.20	27.14	27.43	26.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	28.80	28.80	27.20	26.75	26.75	26.75
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.44	4.88	4.83
Rice ..	"	3.55	3.45	3.40	4.07	4.07	4.08	5.57	5.67	5.67	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.00	3.75	3.63
Sago ..	"	5.00	5.00	4.95	4.86	4.86	4.83	6.64	6.50	6.64	5.20	5.40	5.40	5.75	5.75	5.75
Jam ..	"	9.93	10.13	9.93	9.43	9.33	9.44	9.24	8.67	8.78	10.54	10.54	10.40	9.50	9.33	9.17
Oatmeal ..	"	3.70	3.70	3.63	4.55	4.38	4.42	4.44	4.38	4.38	4.26	4.26	4.26	4.40	4.40	4.40
Raisins ..	"	11.55	11.40	11.15	13.29	13.00	12.83	12.71	12.67	12.67	15.20	15.00	14.80	13.13	13.13	12.88
Currants ..	"	9.75	9.45	9.25	9.14	8.86	8.86	9.21	9.21	9.21	9.80	9.20	9.20	10.13	10.13	9.25
Starch ..	"	9.30	9.30	9.25	10.57	10.57	10.42	10.86	10.83	10.83	12.60	12.60	12.00	11.25	11.25	11.25
Blue ..	doz. sq.	16.05	16.15	16.15	16.93	16.93	17.00	13.29	13.29	13.29	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.38	17.38	17.38
Candles ..	lb.	11.30	11.10	10.90	12.00	12.00	11.83	11.57	11.83	11.83	12.20	11.60	11.60	11.88	11.25	11.25
Soap ..	"	5.52	5.36	5.35	5.57	5.14	5.17	6.60	6.50	6.50	6.46	6.46	6.46	6.50	6.25	6.25
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	34.10	34.80	35.30	29.21	31.50	31.20	30.64	34.50	34.00	27.60	29.40	29.40	24.38	31.13	32.63
Onions ..	lb.	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.91	1.91	1.90	2.36	2.36	2.36	2.20	2.20	2.20	1.63	1.63	1.63
Kerosene ..	gal.	24.38	24.38	23.78	26.64	26.64	26.50	34.43	34.50	34.50	28.00	28.00	28.00	27.33	27.33	27.00
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	8.65	8.65	8.35	7.93	7.93	7.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Butter ..	lb.	27.25	27.25	27.20	27.29	27.29	27.17	27.14	22.83	22.67	28.00	28.00	27.20	28.88	27.88	27.00
Cheese ..	"	19.20	19.55	19.40	19.93	19.93	20.00	19.00	19.50	19.50	20.40	20.80	21.20	20.00	20.25	20.50
Eggs ..	doz.	23.50	20.80	16.35	24.86	21.67	16.80	27.14	17.50	17.20	29.40	22.20	15.00	25.50	20.50	14.75
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	18.20	19.50	20.25	17.43	17.29	19.00	18.14	18.67	19.60	18.20	18.40	19.80	19.33	19.33	19.00
Shoulder ..	"	11.65	12.39	12.75	13.33	13.67	14.20	16.17	16.80	17.20	13.80	14.00	14.60	14.00	14.00	13.67
Ham ..	"	22.13	22.81	23.81	20.83	21.17	23.00	18.86	19.33	20.60	18.40	19.00	20.60	24.00	24.00	24.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	10.65	10.80	10.90	9.43	10.21	10.64	9.57	10.86	10.29	9.60	10.50	9.75	8.80	9.00	9.60
" Ribs ..	"	7.85	8.50	8.44	7.43	8.36	8.86	7.86	9.00	8.43	7.70	8.30	8.13	7.40	8.00	8.40
" Flank ..	"	7.55	7.70	7.78	6.57	7.21	7.71	5.80	6.60	5.80	6.20	7.00	7.00	5.00	5.75	6.00
" Shin ..	"	5.00	5.35	5.61	5.25	6.25	6.42	6.67	7.14	7.33	5.75	5.75	5.33	5.60	5.80	6.00
Steak, Rump ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.89	13.21	13.79	14.14	15.71	18.00	16.57	12.60	13.20	12.75	13.20	12.40	12.60
" Shoulder ..	"	7.10	7.45	7.50	7.57	8.21	8.93	9.43	11.71	11.00	8.70	8.10	8.38	7.00	7.20	7.80
" Stewing ..	"	6.05	6.40	6.50	6.93	7.64	8.14	9.14	11.14	10.57	8.00	8.00	7.75	6.60	6.80	7.20
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	7.55	7.60	7.72	8.29	8.93	9.50	9.36	10.14	9.71	9.80	9.80	9.75	7.60	8.00	8.40
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	3.80	3.95	3.83	4.36	4.86	5.64	6.00	6.50	6.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.70	6.20	6.60
" " without bone ..	"	6.05	6.10	6.11	6.86	7.71	8.29	7.71	8.29	8.29	8.20	8.20	8.50	7.25	8.00	8.25
Mutton, Leg ..	"	9.06	9.81	8.67	10.67	10.93	11.36	11.07	12.86	12.29	10.00	10.20	10.00	9.40	10.40	10.60
" Shoulder ..	"	7.38	8.19	7.00	8.07	8.29	9.29	9.43	11.00	10.29	8.80	9.00	9.00	7.50	8.40	8.80
" Loin ..	"	9.75	10.31	9.50	10.14	10.86	10.93	9.86	11.86	11.57	10.20	10.60	11.00	9.20	10.40	10.60
" Neck ..	"	7.88	8.31	7.56	7.64	8.21	8.50	8.14	9.71	9.43	7.00	7.00	7.20	5.40	5.80	6.00
Chops, Loin ..	"	11.00	11.39	10.94	10.57	11.21	11.50	11.29	13.14	12.57	11.80	12.60	12.00	9.60	10.60	11.00
" Leg ..	"	10.06	10.50	9.89	10.25	10.92	11.42	11.57	13.29	12.86	10.60	10.80	10.60	9.60	10.40	10.80
" Neck ..	"	8.44	9.19	8.28	8.29	8.93	9.21	10.43	12.29	11.14	8.60	9.40	9.00	7.40	8.20	8.20
Pork, Leg ..	"	14.50	15.40	15.80	12.57	14.29	15.14	13.14	15.00	14.43	11.80	13.00	11.67	12.20	12.40	12.40
" Loin ..	"	15.10	16.10	16.30	12.43	14.14	15.00	13.14	15.00	14.43	12.40	13.60	12.67	12.20	12.80	12.80
" Belly ..	"	12.05	13.15	13.28	10.36	11.71	12.57	12.43	14.00	13.00	11.00	11.40	11.00	10.20	10.80	10.80
" Chops ..	"	15.40	16.40	16.60	13.14	14.71	15.71	15.29	18.00	16.71	12.60	13.80	13.00	12.60	12.80	12.80

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF VICTORIA ON THE 15th OF
THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lbs.	5.06	5.06	5.06	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 "	50.70	49.95	49.95	47.57	47.57	47.57	48.86	47.57	47.57	42.80	42.90	42.90	49.20	48.60	48.00
Tea	lb.	23.80	24.90	25.10	21.57	22.14	22.71	21.86	21.43	22.57	20.60	21.80	22.30	20.20	21.60	22.20
Coffee	"	24.10	24.10	24.10	20.71	20.71	20.71	20.57	20.57	20.57	23.60	23.60	24.00	23.80	23.80	23.80
Sugar	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.23	5.23	5.23
Rice	"	3.35	3.25	3.25	3.71	3.71	3.64	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.55	3.75	3.65
Sago	"	4.39	4.33	4.44	4.57	4.50	4.50	4.57	4.43	4.43	4.40	4.60	4.50	4.75	4.65	4.65
Jam	"	9.22	8.98	8.85	8.95	8.76	8.76	8.48	8.10	8.10	8.40	7.67	7.80	9.20	8.67	8.69
Oatmeal	"	3.26	3.26	3.26	3.44	3.44	3.45	3.37	3.37	3.44	3.20	3.29	3.20	3.67	3.74	3.74
Raisins	"	11.65	11.65	11.65	10.36	10.36	10.36	11.57	11.43	11.43	11.60	11.60	11.40	12.00	12.00	12.00
Currants	"	9.35	9.30	9.20	9.00	8.93	8.93	9.43	9.43	9.07	9.10	9.00	9.10	8.60	8.88	8.88
Starch	"	10.30	10.35	10.30	10.57	10.57	10.57	9.86	10.57	10.57	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.20	9.40	10.00
Blue	doz. sq.	12.55	12.55	12.55	12.86	13.29	13.29	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	12.80	12.40	12.40
Candles	lb.	11.45	11.45	11.45	10.64	10.57	10.86	12.00	11.86	11.86	9.80	9.70	9.90	9.80	10.00	10.00
Soap	"	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.57	5.57	5.57	4.72	4.72	4.72	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.70	4.70	4.70
Potatoes	14 lbs.	26.07	27.57	25.00	21.21	21.86	21.86	24.00	26.14	25.50	22.20	23.10	22.20	21.80	22.20	22.20
Onions	lb.	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.86	0.86	0.90	1.05	1.05	1.07	0.92	0.93	0.97	1.12	1.20	1.00
Kerosene	gal.	25.36	25.36	25.12	32.14	32.14	32.14	32.14	32.14	32.14	26.80	26.60	26.60	24.20	24.00	22.20
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	8.70	8.40	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.86	8.00	7.00	7.80	7.80	7.00	6.75	6.75	6.00
Butter	lb.	27.20	21.45	21.55	25.29	22.71	22.43	25.86	21.57	21.86	25.20	21.10	21.40	28.00	22.60	22.20
Cheese	"	18.20	18.40	18.80	17.29	17.43	18.29	16.43	17.14	17.43	16.20	16.40	16.80	16.80	16.80	18.00
Eggs	doz.	29.90	15.30	16.35	25.14	14.86	13.57	25.43	15.57	15.00	24.80	13.30	14.50	20.80	11.00	12.20
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	20.90	22.60	22.60	20.14	21.57	21.57	19.00	20.57	20.57	20.20	21.60	21.40	19.20	21.00	21.20
Bacon, Shoulder ..	"	14.00	15.29	15.43	13.43	15.14	15.43	13.00	14.17	13.50	13.20	15.60	16.20	11.60	14.00	14.40
Ham	"	23.00	24.38	24.38	22.00	22.43	23.00	20.17	20.50	20.50	20.75	22.75	22.60	20.80	21.80	22.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin	"	12.50	13.17	12.30	11.71	12.00	12.21	10.57	11.29	10.71	10.80	11.20	11.20	10.00	10.60	10.80
" Ribs	"	10.22	11.28	10.45	10.07	10.29	10.64	9.71	10.29	10.00	9.40	9.80	9.80	8.00	8.80	9.00
" Flank	"	8.63	9.00	8.56	6.71	7.00	7.57	5.71	6.29	5.86	5.40	6.40	6.20	5.00	5.80	6.00
" Shin	"	6.67	7.00	6.65	6.21	6.50	6.57	6.29	7.00	6.71	6.20	6.40	6.40	5.67	6.00	6.33
Steak, Rump	"	16.78	17.33	16.40	15.29	15.83	15.86	14.14	14.43	14.29	15.00	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.40	15.40
" Shoulder	"	9.11	9.67	9.00	8.57	9.33	9.14	9.29	10.14	9.86	8.80	9.00	9.00	8.20	9.00	9.20
" Stewing	"	7.44	8.06	7.70	7.71	8.33	8.43	8.00	8.71	8.29	7.60	8.20	8.20	8.00	8.60	8.60
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	9.61	10.22	9.65	10.29	11.17	11.43	8.86	9.43	9.43	10.00	10.20	10.20	9.60	10.20	10.40
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	5.44	5.88	5.50	6.57	7.08	7.07	6.43	7.14	6.71	6.40	6.80	6.80	5.70	6.70	6.90
" " without bone ..	"	7.56	8.06	7.80	8.50	9.17	9.29	7.86	8.57	8.57	7.80	8.00	8.00	7.60	8.40	8.60
Mutton, Leg	"	12.64	12.86	11.55	12.17	12.29	12.00	11.71	11.57	10.71	11.40	12.00	11.80	11.80	12.40	12.40
" Shoulder	"	10.14	10.29	8.60	9.00	10.00	9.43	9.57	9.43	8.86	9.00	9.60	9.60	9.00	9.40	9.60
" Loin	"	12.29	12.79	10.90	11.33	11.58	11.43	10.71	11.00	10.00	11.20	11.80	11.80	10.80	11.40	11.60
" Neck	"	9.21	9.57	7.45	7.67	8.60	8.14	8.43	8.57	7.57	9.00	9.40	9.10	8.60	9.40	9.60
Chops, Loin	"	13.36	13.86	11.75	12.25	12.29	11.71	12.29	11.71	11.14	11.40	12.40	12.40	11.80	12.80	12.80
" Leg	"	13.57	13.86	12.17	12.67	13.00	12.86	12.00	11.71	11.14	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.20	12.80	12.80
" Neck	"	9.79	10.14	8.45	8.92	10.00	9.14	9.43	9.86	8.71	9.60	10.20	10.00	9.40	10.40	10.60
Pork, Leg	"	13.80	15.11	14.56	12.29	12.43	12.71	11.17	12.00	12.33	12.75	13.75	14.00	11.40	12.00	12.40
" Loin	"	14.20	15.67	15.11	12.57	13.14	13.57	11.83	12.17	12.50	13.25	14.50	14.60	11.40	12.00	12.40
" Belly	"	13.40	14.56	13.89	12.29	13.00	13.29	11.60	11.67	12.17	13.50	14.25	14.40	10.80	11.40	12.00
" Chops	"	15.00	16.11	15.56	13.00	13.57	13.86	12.17	12.50	13.50	14.00	15.00	15.20	12.20	12.80	13.20

RETAIL PRICES.

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF QUEENSLAND ON THE 15th
OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

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Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			CHARTERS TOWERS.			WARWICK.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lbs.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.10	5.10	5.00
Flour ..	25 "	58.50	56.70	53.15	59.57	59.57	59.71	54.00	54.00	54.00	63.00	62.40	62.40	63.00	63.00	60.60
Tea ..	lb.	26.63	26.90	26.90	27.14	27.14	27.14	25.14	25.43	25.43	28.80	28.80	28.60	27.40	27.60	27.80
Coffee ..	"	26.57	25.67	26.33	26.00	25.71	25.71	26.43	26.43	25.57	29.40	29.40	29.40	24.00	24.00	23.60
Sugar ..	"	5.00	5.00	4.98	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Rice ..	"	3.06	3.05	3.05	3.57	3.64	3.57	3.14	3.14	3.14	4.30	4.40	4.40	3.75	3.75	3.75
Sago ..	"	4.50	4.45	4.45	4.57	4.79	4.79	4.50	4.50	4.57	6.00	5.80	5.90	5.20	5.20	5.30
Jam ..	"	8.59	8.48	8.53	9.39	9.32	9.32	9.14	9.07	9.14	10.40	10.50	10.50	9.80	9.80	9.00
Oatmeal ..	"	3.43	3.39	3.32	3.85	3.85	3.96	3.99	3.99	3.99	4.15	4.17	4.27	4.17	4.17	4.17
Raisins ..	"	12.88	12.90	12.90	12.14	12.29	12.29	12.00	12.00	11.79	15.00	15.60	15.60	13.40	14.00	13.20
Currants ..	"	9.38	9.30	9.30	10.14	10.00	10.00	9.64	9.64	9.64	11.40	11.40	11.30	10.00	10.40	10.00
Starch ..	"	9.72	9.20	9.30	11.29	11.29	11.29	10.86	10.57	10.29	13.40	13.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Blue ..	doz. sq.	12.00	11.90	11.90	12.14	12.14	12.14	13.54	13.54	13.54	13.80	13.80	13.80	15.05	15.05	15.05
Candles ..	lb.	9.81	9.95	9.85	10.07	10.07	10.07	10.57	10.57	10.57	13.40	13.40	13.40	11.20	11.20	11.20
Soap ..	"	4.81	4.74	4.79	5.04	5.36	5.36	4.15	4.15	4.11	5.13	5.23	5.13	4.50	4.60	4.60
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	32.50	33.40	32.80	31.14	32.14	31.71	31.43	33.50	34.86	36.00	41.40	40.20	28.00	28.90	29.90
Onions ..	lb.	1.29	1.33	1.45	1.57	1.64	1.64	1.31	1.39	1.43	1.79	1.71	1.50	1.60	1.60	1.60
Kerosene ..	gal.	25.45	26.46	25.12	28.57	28.57	28.14	22.90	23.57	22.07	26.17	26.17	25.58	30.00	29.40	29.60
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	7.85	7.85	7.85	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.80	9.00	9.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Butter ..	lb.	25.38	25.10	25.30	27.00	28.00	26.29	26.86	26.86	25.86	29.00	28.40	27.00	26.80	26.40	25.60
Cheese ..	"	16.11	16.20	16.50	16.57	16.71	17.14	17.57	17.29	17.43	19.40	19.80	19.80	17.40	17.80	18.20
Eggs ..	doz.	21.63	14.40	14.30	22.43	12.86	12.14	29.14	16.14	14.43	27.60	19.20	16.50	18.00	13.80	11.80
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	16.25	16.60	17.90	16.14	16.57	17.57	16.14	16.00	17.00	17.40	18.20	19.20	16.00	17.20	18.60
Ham ..	"	9.13	9.45	11.00	10.43	10.50	11.57	12.29	12.00	13.14	12.60	13.40	13.80	10.40	10.80	13.00
Meat ..	"	23.83	24.00	24.83	24.40	24.60	25.80	26.71	27.33	28.00	26.00	26.67	27.33	24.50	24.75	26.00
Beef, Sirloin ..	"	6.95	7.40	7.35	5.50	6.14	6.43	5.79	5.64	5.64	6.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.75
" Ribs ..	"	4.05	4.18	4.15	3.21	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.86	3.86	4.50	4.50	4.50	3.50	3.88	4.88
" Flank ..	"	3.86	4.00	4.00	2.57	3.29	3.50	2.71	2.83	2.83	2.75	3.25	3.25	2.63	2.63	3.17
" Shin ..	"	2.65	2.85	2.80	2.00	2.57	2.57	2.36	2.36	2.07	2.30	2.90	2.90	2.50	2.00	2.00
Steak, Rump ..	"	8.30	8.80	8.80	7.14	7.86	8.00	7.14	7.43	7.43	8.30	9.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	8.38
" Shoulder ..	"	3.35	3.60	3.65	3.07	3.79	3.79	2.86	3.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	3.13	3.25	4.00
" Stewing ..	"	3.30	3.50	3.50	3.00	3.64	3.64	2.71	2.86	2.71	3.00	4.00	4.00	3.13	3.25	4.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	"	5.75	6.15	6.10	4.71	5.43	5.43	4.71	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.40	5.40	6.00	6.00	6.75
" Brisket, with bone ..	"	2.35	2.65	2.70	2.64	3.07	3.14	3.10	2.90	2.90	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.50	3.50	3.50
" " without bone ..	"	4.30	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.30	4.50	4.21	4.21	4.29	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Mutton, Leg ..	"	9.20	9.15	8.95	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.20	9.83	9.83	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.75	8.75	9.00
" Shoulder ..	"	5.75	5.80	5.65	5.71	5.86	6.00	6.50	6.33	6.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	6.50	6.50	6.25
" Loin ..	"	9.15	9.10	8.85	8.86	9.29	9.29	10.25	9.83	9.83	7.40	8.20	8.20	8.75	8.75	9.00
" Neck ..	"	7.75	7.85	7.90	5.50	6.43	6.43	7.33	7.00	6.40	5.00	6.00	5.80	4.75	5.50	4.33
Chops, Loin ..	"	9.30	9.55	9.10	9.14	9.29	9.29	10.20	10.42	10.33	8.00	9.00	9.00	8.75	8.75	9.00
" Leg ..	"	9.45	9.55	9.10	9.29	9.43	9.43	10.20	10.42	10.17	8.00	9.00	9.00	8.75	8.75	9.00
" Neck ..	"	8.60	8.95	8.50	8.86	8.43	8.43	8.00	9.25	9.00	7.00	8.40	8.40	8.00	8.25	8.75
Pork, Leg ..	"	11.10	12.17	12.89	9.86	10.57	10.86	10.14	10.83	11.00	10.60	11.00	11.00	9.50	10.25	10.75
" Loin ..	"	11.45	12.72	13.44	9.57	10.29	10.71	10.43	11.00	11.14	10.60	11.00	11.00	9.50	10.25	10.75
" Belly ..	"	9.10	9.78	10.78	8.33	9.00	9.33	8.86	9.40	9.40	9.80	10.20	10.20	7.50	9.00	8.75
" Chops ..	"	11.75	12.95	13.78	9.86	10.43	10.86	10.71	11.67	11.67	10.60	11.00	11.00	9.75	10.25	11.25

RETAIL PRICES.

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th
OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA, ETC.			PORT PRIDE.			MT. GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread	2 lbs.	5.00	4.94	4.94	4.86	4.86	4.86	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.19	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour	25 „	52.60	49.20	48.60	48.00	44.57	44.14	54.00	53.50	52.00	50.40	50.40	49.20	61.20	57.00	56.40
Tea	lb.	25.20	25.70	25.70	25.57	27.43	27.43	26.71	27.29	27.29	29.00	30.00	29.40	28.60	29.00	29.00
Coffee	„	27.20	26.80	26.90	31.57	31.57	31.57	28.86	29.00	29.00	32.20	32.60	32.00	33.00	33.20	33.20
Sugar	„	4.98	4.98	4.98	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.30	5.30	5.30	5.37	5.37	5.37	5.50	5.50	5.50
Rice	„	3.85	3.85	3.80	4.86	4.86	4.71	4.71	4.71	4.71	4.30	4.30	4.20	4.80	4.70	4.70
Sago	„	4.90	5.05	5.00	5.79	5.93	5.93	5.50	5.79	5.79	5.80	6.00	5.80	6.10	6.20	6.20
Jam	„	8.35	8.08	8.15	8.38	8.38	8.52	8.38	8.19	8.10	8.37	8.37	8.37	8.80	8.80	8.80
Oatmeal	„	3.42	3.42	3.43	4.22	4.23	4.23	4.49	4.57	4.57	3.92	3.94	3.94	4.39	4.44	4.54
Raisins	„	9.80	9.55	9.45	12.71	12.71	12.86	12.93	12.21	12.21	11.80	11.60	11.20	12.00	11.40	11.80
Currants	„	7.50	7.40	7.30	8.43	8.07	8.07	9.14	9.07	9.07	8.40	8.40	8.60	8.10	8.60	8.20
Starch	„	9.10	9.15	9.10	10.79	10.71	10.64	10.14	10.14	10.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.60	11.60	12.40
Blue	doz. sq.	12.28	12.28	12.28	12.96	12.96	12.96	13.39	13.25	13.25	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.80	12.00	12.00
Candles	lb.	10.50	10.45	10.50	11.86	11.64	11.64	11.79	11.64	11.79	11.60	11.40	11.40	12.60	13.00	12.80
Soap	„	5.85	5.85	5.89	5.07	5.31	5.18	5.67	5.61	5.61	5.70	5.70	5.70	7.00	6.80	6.80
Potatoes	14 lbs.	27.86	29.14	27.14	30.43	32.14	31.29	29.57	33.00	30.43	22.50	24.50	25.50	28.80	34.20	34.80
Onions	lb.	1.95	1.95	1.95	2.14	2.07	2.14	2.07	2.00	2.00	1.25	1.25	1.25	2.10	2.10	2.10
Kerosene	gal.	25.30	25.60	24.20	28.71	28.71	28.58	26.57	26.57	26.14	30.75	30.25	29.25	33.38	32.18	31.90
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.50	6.50	6.50
Butter	lb.	24.30	19.80	20.70	23.71	18.86	15.86	24.71	19.43	20.57	22.60	21.00	19.00	23.40	20.00	17.40
Cheese	„	16.80	17.30	17.70	18.71	18.43	18.43	17.44	18.08	18.71	16.40	17.40	17.40	17.80	18.40	19.40
Eggs	doz.	24.80	15.00	15.00	19.57	10.71	11.29	23.13	13.14	12.57	18.20	11.80	10.20	20.20	14.20	10.80
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	18.50	19.50	19.55	19.43	19.43	19.57	17.86	18.67	19.57	18.75	19.75	20.00	20.20	20.40	20.80
„ Shoulder ..	„	12.63	14.00	13.75	15.60	15.80	16.60	14.80	16.60	16.80	14.75	15.75	15.75	19.00	19.50	20.33
Ham	„	21.00	22.44	22.56	20.50	20.83	21.00	19.60	20.00	20.80	19.50	20.25	20.25	21.00	21.00	22.50
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	10.60	11.10	10.25	8.86	9.00	9.00	8.71	9.14	9.14	9.00	9.20	9.20	6.00	6.50	6.50
„ Ribs	„	8.80	9.15	8.45	8.43	8.43	8.43	7.71	7.86	7.86	8.40	8.60	8.60	5.00	5.50	5.50
„ Flank	„	8.94	9.17	8.67	7.00	7.29	7.29	4.29	4.86	5.00	6.20	6.40	6.20	3.00	4.00	4.00
„ Shin	„	7.50	7.80	7.10	5.60	6.00	6.00	6.80	7.00	7.00	7.33	7.33	7.33	4.00	4.00	4.00
Steak, Rump ..	„	15.90	16.50	15.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.43	13.86	13.86	13.60	13.60	13.60	11.50	12.00	12.00
„ Shoulder ..	„	9.60	10.00	9.30	8.57	8.86	8.57	8.71	10.00	10.00	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.00	8.50	8.50
„ Stewing ..	„	9.20	9.70	8.80	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.14	9.14	9.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	8.00	8.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	„	10.25	10.85	10.10	9.14	9.14	9.14	9.57	10.00	10.14	8.60	9.00	9.00	8.00	7.50	7.50
„ Brisket, with bone ..	„	7.38	7.70	7.25	7.14	7.14	7.14	6.43	7.14	7.00	7.00	7.40	7.00	4.00	4.50	4.50
„ „ without bone ..	„	8.25	8.80	8.10	8.17	8.17	8.17	8.29	8.86	8.86	8.60	9.00	8.80	5.50	6.00	6.00
Mutton, Leg ..	„	11.30	11.65	10.50	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.43	10.43	10.29	10.60	10.60	10.60	9.00	9.50	9.50
„ Shoulder ..	„	9.75	10.20	9.15	7.29	7.29	7.29	8.14	9.00	8.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.00	7.50	7.50
„ Loin	„	10.30	10.70	10.05	8.43	8.57	8.57	8.14	9.14	9.00	9.80	10.20	10.00	9.00	9.50	9.50
„ Neck	„	8.80	9.20	8.35	6.57	7.00	7.00	6.86	7.71	7.71	8.60	8.60	8.60	7.50	8.50	8.50
Chops, Loin ..	„	11.60	12.20	10.90	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.86	10.57	10.43	11.20	11.20	11.20	10.00	10.50	10.50
„ Leg	„	12.20	12.80	11.40	9.71	9.43	9.43	10.14	10.86	10.71	11.60	11.60	11.80	9.50	10.00	10.00
„ Neck	„	9.85	10.40	9.20	8.00	8.00	8.14	8.86	8.86	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	10.00	10.00
Pork, Leg	„	13.30	13.90	13.40	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.29	11.71	11.86	10.50	11.00	11.00	9.50	9.50	9.50
„ Loin	„	14.30	14.80	14.60	10.43	10.43	10.43	11.29	11.71	11.86	10.50	11.00	11.00	9.50	9.50	9.50
„ Belly	„	14.10	14.60	14.50	10.29	10.29	10.29	11.29	11.71	11.86	10.50	11.00	11.00	9.50	9.50	9.50
„ Chops	„	15.10	15.70	15.30	10.57	10.57	10.57	11.86	12.14	12.57	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00

RETAIL PRICES.

**AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON THE
15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.**

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Article.	Unit.	PERTH AND FREMANTLE.			KALGOORLIE AND BOULDER.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lbs.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour ..	25 „	46.70	46.10	46.40	50.14	50.14	50.14	53.00	53.00	53.00	51.00	50.40	50.40	49.50	49.50	49.20
Tea ..	lb.	23.50	23.50	24.10	26.29	25.29	25.29	26.67	26.67	26.67	22.00	21.40	21.40	28.40	28.40	28.60
Coffee ..	„	22.30	22.60	22.30	25.71	25.71	25.71	25.00	25.00	25.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.60	22.60	22.60
Sugar ..	„	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.93	5.91	5.87	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.30	5.30	5.30
Rice ..	„	3.25	3.25	3.15	4.57	4.29	4.29	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago ..	„	4.35	4.40	4.40	5.00	4.93	4.93	4.67	4.67	4.67	4.40	4.40	4.40	4.60	4.60	4.60
Jam ..	„	9.03	9.10	8.97	9.71	9.05	8.95	10.22	10.22	10.22	10.00	10.13	9.87	10.33	10.33	10.20
Oatmeal ..	„	3.56	3.53	3.51	3.87	3.85	3.89	4.19	4.19	4.19	3.92	3.92	3.92	4.23	4.20	4.23
Raisins ..	„	7.95	7.70	7.50	11.43	11.29	11.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	11.00	9.80	10.20	11.60	11.40	11.40
Currants ..	„	7.85	7.70	7.30	10.57	10.43	10.00	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.30	8.90	8.90	10.60	10.40	10.40
Starch ..	„	9.40	9.40	9.60	12.57	12.57	12.43	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Blue ..	doz. sq.	16.75	16.55	16.80	18.86	18.86	18.86	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.40	19.40	19.40
Candles ..	lb.	10.30	10.67	10.45	12.29	12.14	12.14	12.33	12.33	12.33	11.60	11.60	11.60	12.40	12.40	12.40
Soap ..	„	4.22	4.22	4.18	6.64	6.64	6.64	7.17	7.17	7.17	4.86	5.40	5.06	5.64	5.64	5.64
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	29.40	31.00	30.90	32.57	36.43	36.00	31.33	33.00	33.33	27.00	31.00	30.00	31.20	32.40	32.40
Onions ..	lb.	1.55	1.55	1.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.33	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.10	2.40	2.40	2.40
Kerosene ..	gal.	22.76	22.56	21.03	35.75	35.32	33.75	26.64	26.64	23.60	23.79	23.65	23.07	26.95	26.95	28.15
Dairy Produce—																
Milk ..	quart	9.00	8.86	8.86	9.86	9.86	9.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Butter ..	lb.	26.10	25.80	22.50	28.86	27.43	25.71	26.33	26.33	24.33	25.20	24.00	21.40	23.00	23.00	24.60
Cheese ..	„	17.60	18.20	18.50	19.29	20.14	20.29	19.33	19.33	20.00	18.20	19.60	20.00	19.20	19.20	19.80
Eggs ..	doz.	23.90	16.00	13.50	30.14	23.57	19.71	29.33	15.00	12.00	27.60	16.20	12.80	31.20	20.60	19.60
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	17.90	18.60	19.15	21.00	21.00	21.29	18.67	19.00	19.00	18.80	18.80	19.20	20.00	20.60	19.60
„ Shoulder ..	„	11.30	11.80	12.00	17.43	17.43	16.86	12.67	12.67	12.67	12.60	12.60	13.00	16.40	16.40	16.80
Ham ..	„	21.20	21.50	21.90	24.57	24.57	24.86	20.33	21.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.40	25.00	25.00	25.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	9.80	9.80	9.33	10.67	10.43	10.29	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.67	10.67	10.33	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Ribs ..	„	8.50	8.30	7.56	9.83	9.29	9.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Flank ..	„	8.78	8.44	8.22	10.50	9.86	9.71	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	8.67	8.67	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Shin ..	„	7.00	7.00	6.89	8.67	8.00	8.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.67	7.33	7.33	6.00	6.00	6.00
Steak, Rump ..	„	15.50	15.40	15.11	16.33	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.33	15.33	15.33	14.00	14.00	14.00
„ Shoulder ..	„	9.00	8.78	8.78	10.83	10.57	10.43	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Stewing ..	„	8.40	8.40	8.00	9.17	9.00	8.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	„	9.33	9.11	9.11	10.33	10.14	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.00	10.00	10.00
„ Brisket, with bone ..	„	6.11	6.11	6.11	7.17	7.00	6.86	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.33	7.00	7.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ „ without bone ..	„	7.67	7.67	7.67	9.33	9.00	8.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, Leg ..	„	10.40	10.30	9.67	11.86	11.86	11.86	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Shoulder ..	„	8.60	8.60	7.89	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.00	8.67	7.00	7.00	7.00
„ Loin ..	„	9.50	9.60	8.89	11.14	11.14	11.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
„ Neck ..	„	7.20	7.30	6.89	9.29	9.29	9.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.33	7.67	7.67	7.00	7.00	7.00
Chops, Loin ..	„	10.80	10.40	9.89	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Leg ..	„	11.00	10.70	10.11	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.00	9.00	9.00
„ Neck ..	„	8.40	8.30	7.78	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	8.67	8.00	8.00	8.00
Pork, Leg ..	„	14.33	14.11	14.00	14.29	14.29	14.29	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.33	12.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
„ Loin ..	„	14.11	13.78	13.78	13.71	13.71	13.71	10.00	12.00	12.00	12.33	12.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
„ Belly ..	„	12.44	12.22	12.00	12.43	12.43	12.43	10.00	12.00	12.00	11.67	11.17	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
„ Chops ..	„	15.00	14.67	14.67	14.71	14.71	14.71	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.67	12.67	12.67	12.00	12.00	12.00

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AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF TASMANIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread	2 lbs.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour	25 „	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.93	4.92	4.92	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Tea	lb.	49.22	48.39	47.67	45.93	45.29	44.00	8.60	46.80	46.80	49.80	49.80	49.80	54.00	54.00	54.00
Coffee	„	23.22	22.89	23.22	21.29	22.29	22.14	7.20	27.60	27.60	25.60	26.40	26.20	26.33	26.33	26.33
Sugar	„	23.33	23.00	22.67	22.71	22.29	22.29	23.00	23.40	23.40	25.20	24.60	25.20	24.00	24.00	24.00
Rice	„	4.94	4.94	4.94	4.86	4.86	4.86	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.95	4.95	4.95	5.40	5.25	5.38
Sago	„	3.83	3.83	3.78	3.71	3.64	3.43	4.10	4.00	3.90	4.10	3.90	3.90	4.10	4.10	4.10
Jam	„	4.61	4.78	4.83	4.29	4.43	4.50	4.80	4.90	5.00	4.70	4.70	4.80	4.70	4.70	4.60
Oatmeal	„	8.52	8.48	8.43	8.29	8.14	8.14	9.33	9.47	9.07	9.87	9.73	9.73	9.67	9.67	9.67
Raisins	„	3.60	3.55	3.44	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.91	3.91	3.86	3.77	3.74	3.73	3.74	3.76	3.74
Currants	„	11.50	11.83	11.50	11.00	10.93	10.93	11.80	11.60	11.60	13.60	13.20	12.20	15.20	14.80	14.80
Starch	„	10.22	10.11	10.33	9.29	9.29	9.00	9.40	9.30	8.90	8.70	8.60	8.60	10.40	10.40	10.20
Blue	doz. sq.	10.67	10.44	10.44	9.79	9.79	9.64	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.60	10.60	10.70	11.40	11.40	11.60
Candles	lb.	12.28	12.28	12.28	11.00	11.64	11.64	13.10	13.10	13.10	13.90	13.90	13.90	12.30	12.30	12.30
Soap	„	10.28	10.39	10.17	9.71	9.43	9.29	11.20	11.10	10.90	10.80	10.30	10.30	11.80	11.50	11.60
Potatoes	14 lbs.	4.29	4.34	4.29	4.17	4.17	4.17	5.80	6.00	6.00	6.13	6.03	6.23	5.32	5.32	5.32
Onions	lb.	22.71	24.14	23.14	20.57	21.43	22.29	26.25	25.00	25.60	24.60	26.60	26.00	30.70	32.80	33.10
Kerosene	gal.	1.57	1.64	1.64	1.79	1.57	1.57	1.20	1.30	1.10	1.10	1.20	1.20	1.90	1.90	1.90
		26.96	26.96	26.34	25.29	25.71	24.93	25.20	25.20	24.60	27.41	27.81	27.12	30.12	30.12	29.54
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.33	8.33	8.33
Butter	lb.	26.11	24.78	23.11	25.57	22.86	22.57	27.60	22.80	23.00	26.40	22.80	21.90	27.80	27.80	23.00
Cheese	„	15.00	15.89	17.22	15.57	16.57	17.43	18.00	18.20	18.60	15.20	16.60	17.20	16.80	16.80	16.80
Eggs	doz.	20.22	16.44	13.89	20.14	17.00	12.14	24.25	16.40	12.40	18.60	13.00	11.80	30.40	23.50	18.25
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	15.44	17.44	17.89	16.71	18.14	18.43	15.60	16.80	18.40	16.40	17.75	17.60	15.00	15.75	18.13
Ham	Shoulder	„	10.13	11.75	12.25	10.43	11.29	11.43	12.60	14.00	15.40	10.50	12.25	12.20	12.40	12.80
Ham	„	18.60	19.40	20.60	20.17	21.17	21.17	15.40	16.80	18.40	15.00	13.33	15.50	16.40	16.60	18.75
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	11.60	11.90	12.20	11.67	12.67	14.67	10.67	11.00	12.00	11.67	12.00	12.00	9.67	10.67	10.67
Beef, Ribs	„	10.10	10.50	11.00	10.67	11.50	12.67	9.67	10.67	11.33	11.00	11.00	11.00	9.00	10.00	10.00
Beef, Flank	„	7.50	8.20	8.50	7.50	8.83	10.67	7.67	8.00	8.33	7.25	8.33	8.00	6.33	7.33	7.33
Beef, Shin	„	7.67	8.00	8.00	7.40	8.20	9.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	7.50	8.50	8.00	7.00	8.50	8.50
Steak, Rump	„	16.50	16.90	16.90	14.17	14.83	15.83	13.00	13.67	14.67	13.67	14.67	14.33	13.67	14.67	14.67
Beef, Shoulder ..	„	10.30	10.40	10.90	10.33	11.17	11.67	10.67	11.33	11.33	11.00	11.33	11.00	8.67	10.33	10.33
Beef, Stewing ..	„	9.90	10.20	10.60	10.33	11.17	11.33	10.33	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.33	10.33	9.00	10.00	10.00
Beef, Corned Roll ..	„	10.80	11.00	11.75	10.50	11.33	12.67	10.33	11.00	11.67	11.00	11.33	11.00	10.33	11.33	11.33
Beef, Brisket, with bone ..	„	6.50	6.50	7.38	6.83	7.67	8.17	8.00	8.67	9.00	8.00	8.33	8.33	6.33	7.33	7.33
Beef, Brisket, without bone ..	„	9.22	9.44	10.14	9.60	11.20	12.00	10.00	10.67	11.00	10.00	10.33	10.00	9.69	10.67	10.67
Mutton, Leg	„	11.70	11.55	12.50	11.67	12.33	13.00	11.67	12.67	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.33	12.33	13.00
Mutton, Shoulder ..	„	9.00	9.20	9.50	10.20	10.80	12.40	10.00	11.00	12.00	10.00	10.67	10.67	7.67	9.67	10.33
Mutton, Loin	„	10.60	10.80	11.30	11.67	11.83	12.50	11.00	12.67	13.67	10.67	12.00	12.00	9.67	11.67	12.67
Mutton, Neck	„	8.30	8.80	8.90	9.17	9.50	10.33	9.00	10.33	10.67	9.67	10.33	10.33	7.67	9.67	10.33
Chops, Loin	„	12.10	12.50	12.90	13.00	13.50	14.17	12.67	13.33	14.33	12.67	14.00	14.00	10.67	12.67	13.33
Chops, Leg	„	12.80	12.80	12.70	12.67	13.00	13.33	12.67	13.33	14.33	12.67	13.33	14.00	10.67	12.67	13.33
Chops, Neck	„	9.60	10.00	10.10	9.83	10.17	11.00	11.00	11.33	12.67	10.00	11.00	11.33	9.00	11.00	12.00
Pork, Leg	„	12.30	12.80	13.10	11.83	12.67	13.50	10.33	11.00	11.67	11.00	11.33	11.33	12.00	12.33	13.00
Pork, Loin	„	13.40	13.90	14.30	12.33	13.00	13.67	10.67	11.33	12.00	11.33	11.67	12.00	12.00	12.33	13.00
Pork, Belly	„	13.40	13.50	13.30	12.33	13.00	13.67	10.00	10.67	12.00	10.67	11.33	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.67
Pork, Chops	„	14.10	14.40	14.70	13.00	13.50	14.50	11.33	12.33	12.67	11.33	12.67	12.33	12.00	12.33	13.00

Section IX.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1861 TO AUGUST, 1923,
COMPUTED TO YEAR 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Jute, Leather, &c.	III. Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	IV. Dairy Pro- duce.	V. Gro- ceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Building Ma- terials.	VIII. Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1920	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
January, 1922	2,031	1,514	1,498	1,424	1,941	1,496	2,148	2,054	1,673
February, 1922	2,023	1,482	1,520	1,429	1,924	1,503	2,135	1,993	1,672
March, 1922	2,007	1,493	1,538	1,455	1,917	1,471	2,053	1,946	1,669
April, 1922	1,997	1,527	1,543	1,612	1,900	1,484	2,087	1,970	1,691
May, 1922	1,973	1,628	1,592	1,861	1,897	1,771	1,972	1,947	1,764
June, 1922	1,961	1,730	1,577	1,823	1,892	1,881	1,856	1,925	1,775
July, 1922	1,942	1,693	1,636	1,882	1,868	1,921	1,842	2,041	1,789
August, 1922	1,897	1,605	1,658	1,728	1,867	2,015	1,837	2,041	1,770
September, 1922	1,882	1,706	1,709	1,749	1,861	2,010	1,847	1,972	1,799
October, 1922	1,870	1,785	1,667	1,680	1,865	2,143	1,959	1,926	1,812
November, 1922	1,859	2,044	1,792	1,609	1,747	1,911	2,093	1,885	1,849
December, 1922	1,856	1,969	1,806	1,520	1,750	1,839	2,237	1,885	1,832
January, 1923	1,856	2,071	1,753	1,617	1,750	1,985	2,171	1,923	1,855
February, 1923	1,851	2,154	1,676	1,680	1,760	1,874	2,083	1,991	1,859
March, 1923	1,815	2,102	1,711	1,813	1,765	1,898	2,022	1,975	1,857
April, 1923	1,813	2,102	1,801	1,996	1,778	1,910	2,042	1,943	1,894
May, 1923	1,829	1,992	1,810	2,066	1,759	2,467	2,045	1,915	1,940
June, 1923	1,819	2,120	1,793	2,081	1,757	3,244	2,025	1,903	2,035
July, 1923	1,825	2,044	1,808	2,006	1,752	3,614	1,950	1,972	2,052
August, 1923	1,822	1,836	1,756	1,786	1,754	3,773	1,991	1,950	2,000

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA, 1871-1922.

Heading.		Years.						
		1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1922.
Population ..	Males	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,224	2,798,729	2,866,463
	Females	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,644	2,710,440	2,767,929
	Total	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,868	5,509,169	5,633,492
Births ..	No.	68,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	137,496
	Rate	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	24.69
Deaths ..	No.	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	51,311
	Rate	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	9.21
Marriages ..	No.	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	44,731
	Rate	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	8.03
Agriculture—								
Wheat ..	Area, acs.	1,279,778	3,002,084	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	9,780,700
	Yld., bshl.	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	109,261,255
	Av. „	9.31	7.14	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	11.17
Oats ..	Area, acs.	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	..
	Yld., bshl.	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	..
	Av. „	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	..
Barley ..	Area, acs.	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	..
	Yld., bshl.	726,168	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	..
	Av. „	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	..
Maize ..	Area, acs.	142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	304,065	305,186	..
	Yld., bshl.	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	..
	Av. „	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	..
Hay ..	Area, acs.	303,274	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	..
	Yld., tons	375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	3,902,189	..
	Av. „	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	..
Potatoes* ..	Area, acs.	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	..
	Yld., tons	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	..
	Av. „	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	..
Sugar Cane\$..	Area, acs.	11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	197,293	215,176
	Yld., tons	176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	2,317,464
	Av. „	15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	15.85
Vineyards ..	Area, acs.	16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	..
	Wine, gal.	2,104,000	1,488,000	3,535,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	8,562,573	..
Total value all agricultural production ..		£ 8,941,000	15,519,000	16,480,000	23,885,000	38,774,000	81,889,700	..
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—								
Live Stock ..	Sheep No.	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	93,003,521	82,226,470	..
	Cattle „	4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,441,309	..
	Horses „	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182	..
Wool prod. ..	Pigs „	586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960,385	..
	lb. greasy	179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,288	631,514,435	600,961,156
Butter production ..		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cheese production ..		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bacon and ham ..		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production ..		£ 20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	69,882,000	113,671,000	..
Mineral production—								
Gold ..	£	7,916,627	5,194,390	5,281,309	14,017,508	10,551,624	4,018,685	3,545,173
	£	36,528	45,622	3,736,352	2,367,687	3,022,177	1,539,992	3,014,301
Silver and lead ..	£	830,242	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957	844,126
	£	24,020	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418	395,755
Copper ..	£	369	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	238,455	1,157,458
	£	330,759	637,865	1,914,026	2,602,770	3,929,673	11,014,831	10,486,419
Total value of all mineral production ..		£ 9,190,330	7,820,290	12,108,759	21,922,665	23,494,324	19,977,384	20,316,160
Forestry production—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1,000 sup. ft.		£	£	£	452,131	604,794	590,495	..
Manufactories—								
No. of factories ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Hands employed ..	No.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Wages paid ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Total value of output ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Value added in process of manufacture ..	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£

* Partly estimated 1871 and 1881. † Owing to variation in classification and lack of information effective comparison is impossible. ‡ Information not available. § Area of productive cane.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1922.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels { No. 2,748 3,284 3,778 4,028 4,174 3,674 3,111							
ent. and cleared { ton 1,312,642 2,549,364 4,726,307 6,541,991 9,984,801 9,503,018 9,081,278							
*Commerce—							
Imports oversea £ 17,017,000 29,067,000 37,711,000 42,434,000 66,967,488 103,066,436 131,808,673							
per head £ 10/3/3 12/16/2 11/16/0 11/3/11 14/18/2 18/14/1 23/7/10							
Exports oversea £ 21,725,000 27,528,000 36,043,000 49,696,000 79,482,258 127,846,536 117,913,088							
per head £ 12/19/6 12/2/8 11/5/6 13/2/2 17/13/10 23/4/1 20/18/7							
Total oversea trade £ 38,742,000 56,595,000 73,754,000 92,130,000 146,449,746 230,912,971 249,721,766							
per head £ 23/2/9 24/18/10 23/1/6 24/6/1 32/12/6 41/18/2 44/6/5							
Customs and excise duties £ .. 4,809,326 7,440,869 8,656,530 13,515,005 27,565,199 32,872,288							
per head £ .. 2/2/5 2/6/7 2/5/8 2/19/2 5/0/1 5/16/8							
Principal Oversea Exports—†							
Wool { cntl. (greasy) £ 1,766,358 3,283,692 6,192,598 5,180,181 7,203,649 9,278,337 8,238,907							
£ 9,459,629 13,173,026 19,940,029 15,237,454 26,071,193 47,977,044 57,241,611							
Wheat { centsals £ 479,954 3,218,792 5,876,875 12,156,035 33,088,704 59,968,334 18,906,163							
£ 193,732 1,189,702 1,938,864 2,774,643 9,641,608 28,044,155 8,469,574							
Flour { tons £ 12,988 49,549 33,363 96,814 175,891 359,734 394,603							
£ 170,415 519,635 328,423 599,604 1,391,529 5,519,881 4,521,976							
Butter { centsals £ 18,127 12,988 42,395 346,074 1,017,221 1,273,474 789,754							
£ 45,813 39,383 206,893 1,451,168 4,637,362 7,968,078 6,082,414							
Skins and hides £ 100,123 316,878 873,695 1,250,938 3,227,236 3,136,810 6,672,871							
Tallow .. £ 914,278 644,149 571,069 677,745 1,935,836 1,441,795 1,635,123							
Meats .. £ 566,780 362,965 460,894 2,611,244 4,303,159 5,542,102 7,678,843							
Timber (undressed) £ 42,586 118,117 38,448 731,301 1,023,960 1,153,166 1,025,619							
Gold £ 7,184,833 6,445,365 5,703,532 14,315,741 12,045,768 3,483,239 2,219,331							
Silver and lead £ 37,891 57,954 1,932,278 2,250,253 3,212,584 2,583,641 3,678,161							
Copper .. £ 598,538 676,515 417,687 1,619,145 2,345,961 705,358 664,278							
Coal £ 134,355 361,081 645,972 986,957 900,622 1,099,899 1,200,167							
Government Railways—							
Length of line open mls. 970 3,832 9,541 12,579 16,078 23,296 23,497							
Capital cost .. £ 19,269,786 47,741,350 99,764,090 123,223,779 152,194,603 237,479,693 244,353,223							
Gross revenue £ 1,102,650 3,910,122 8,654,085 11,038,468 17,847,837 35,936,900 38,194,630							
Working expenses £ 608,332 2,141,735 5,630,182 7,133,617 10,945,727 29,969,954 29,817,970							
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings % 55.17 54.77 65.06 64.63 61.33 83.39 78.07							
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with.. No. 24,382,000 67,640,000 157,297,000 220,853,000 453,063,000 569,343,456 561,973,105							
per head .. 14.54 29.61 49.07 58.26 100.90 104.36 100.93							
Newspapers dealt with.. No. 3,336,000 38,068,000 85,280,000 102,727,000 141,638,000 130,882,425 140,477,124							
per head .. 7.95 16.66 26.61 27.10 31.54 23.99 25.23							
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £ 2,456,487 3,978,711 4,417,269 3,406,175 1,876,428 211,187 207,555							
Coin and bullion held £ 6,168,869 9,108,243 16,712,923 19,737,572 30,024,225 22,092,371 22,007,040							
Advances .. £ 26,039,573 57,732,824 129,741,583 89,167,499 116,769,133 233,214,626 248,818,737							
Deposits .. £ 21,856,959 53,849,455 98,345,338 90,965,530 147,103,081 273,866,737 301,215,730							
Savings Banks—							
Number of depositors.. 100,713 250,070 614,741 964,553 1,600,112 3,327,456 3,541,916							
Total deposits £ 3,193,285 7,854,480 15,536,592 30,882,645 59,393,682 154,396,051 164,074,070							
Average per depositor £ 31/14/2 31/8/2 25/5/6 32/0/4 37/2/4 46/8/0 46/6/6							
Average per head of population £ 1/18/9 3/10/5 4/18/7 8/3/0 13/8/5 28/0/4 28/19/6							
State Schools—							
Number of schools .. 2,502 4,494 6,231 7,012 8,060 9,445 ..							
Teachers .. No. 4,641 9,028 12,564 14,500 16,971 26,120 ..							
Enrolment .. 236,710 432,320 561,153 638,478 638,850 819,042 ..							
Aver. attendance .. 137,767 255,143 350,773 450,246 463,799 666,498 ..							

* Figures for Commerce for years 1921 and 1922 relate to year ended 30th June following. † Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. ‡ Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue.